

Agenda

Herefordshire Schools Forum

Date: **Friday 10 July 2026**

Time: **9.30 am**

Place: **virtual meeting platform**

Notes: Please note the time, date and venue of the meeting.

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Agenda for the Meeting of the Herefordshire Schools Forum

Membership

Chairperson Paul Jennings
Vice-Chairperson Richard Foster

Kate Andrews
Alison Banner
Sarah Beard
Zayla Beecham
Emma Blankley
Beverley Blower
Adam Breakwell
Alex Davies
Stewart Debenham
Paul Deneen
Nicki Gilbert
Andy Gosling
Georgie Griffin
Kate Joiner
Tim Knapp
Chris Lewandowski
Rose Lloyd
Hayley Manns
Rachel Ussher

Dave Williams

Academies
Local Authority Maintained Primary School

Academies
LA maintained secondary schools
Diocese of Hereford
Academies (Primary)
Academies (Primary)
PRU - Management Committee
Maintained Primary - headteacher
Academies (primary)
Maintained Primary - headteacher
Trade Unions
LA Special Schools
Secondary Governors
Primary Governors
Academy Special School
Academies
Trade Unions
Early Years Providers
Early Years providers
LA Maintained Primary School (nursery class)
16-19 providers

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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE To receive apologies for absence.	
2. NAMED SUBSTITUTES (IF ANY) To receive any details of Members nominated to attend the meeting in place of a Member of the Forum.	
3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST To receive any declarations of interest by Members in respect of items on the Agenda.	
4. MINUTES To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 20 March 2026.	5 - 10
5. DSG DEFICIT MANAGEMENT PLAN AND SEND REFORMS To receive an update on the DSG Deficit Management Plan and SEND Reforms.	11 - 30
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7. DEDICATED SCHOOLS GRANT UPDATE AND 2027/28 BUDGET PLANNING To provide an update to the Schools Forum on the items within the Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) that are funded from the Schools Block and Central School Services Block, in preparation of the 2027/28 budget setting process.	53 - 62
8. REVISIONS TO HEREFORDSHIRE'S SCHEME FOR FINANCING SCHOOLS For Schools Forum to note the publication of the Herefordshire's Scheme for Financing Schools (Local Management of Schools (LMS) Scheme), for implementation with immediate effect.	63 - 156
9. ANNUAL REVIEW OF SCHOOLS FORUM MEMBERSHIP To report on the annual review of membership of Herefordshire Schools Forum (the forum) and Budget Working Group (the working group) and to approve action as necessary to maintain proportionality.	157 - 160
10. DATES OF MEETINGS AND WORK PROGRAMME FOR 2026/27 To approve dates for meetings to be held and the work programme for the forum for 2026/27 academic year. The following dates are suggested: Friday 23 October 2026 9:30am	161 - 162

Tuesday 19 January 2027 9:30am (to accommodate the deadline for the APT).

Friday 19 March 2027 9:30am

Friday 16 July 2027 9:30am