

SCHOOL BALANCES MARCH 2006

REPORT BY MANAGER OF LMS AND PLANNING

HEREFORDSHIRE SCHOOLS FORUM

7 JUNE, 2006

Schools Affected

All Schools

Purpose

1. To report on school balances at the end of the financial year 2005/2006.

Report

- 2. The Council and Schools Forum have been concerned about the increasing levels of balances within Herefordshire schools.
- 3. Provisional school balances at the end of the financial year 2005/2006 have now been calculated and are compared to the balances at the end of 2004/2005 in the following table.

Revenue	Balances as at March 05	Balances as at March 06	Difference	
	£	£	£	%
Primary	4,930,193	4,422,064	-508,129	-10.3%
Secondary	1,992,903	2,442,006	+449,103	+22.5%
Specials	336,417	217,424	-118,993	-35.4%
Total	7,259,513	7,081,494	-178,019	-2.5%

Capital	Balances as at March 05	Balances as at March 06	Difference	
	£	£	£	%
Primary	1,056,839	790,569	-266,270	-25.2%
Secondary	442,567	233,369	-209,567	-47.4%
Specials	76,622	107,593	+30,971	+40.4%
Total	1,576,028	1,131,531	-444,866	-28.2%

Extended Schools	Balances as at March 05	Balances as at March 06	Difference	
	£	£	£	%
Primary	55,256	75,704	+20,448	+37%
Secondary	72,349	364,579	+292,230	+404%
Special	-	-	-	-
Total	127,604	440,283	+312,678	245%
TOTAL	8,963,145	8,653,308	-309,837	-3.5%

- 2. Overall balances have reduced by £309,837, or -3.5% from the total balance as at March 2005.
- 3. Primary School balances have **reduced** by £753,951 or -12.5%.
- 4. Secondary schools have **increased** by £531,766 or + 21.2%
- 5. Special School balances **reduced** by £88,023 or –21.3%.

Recommendation

That, subject to any comments the Forum may wish to make, the overall reduction in school balances be noted.