



Agenda

Herefordshire Schools Forum

Date: **Tuesday 20 January 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	Academies
Vice-chairperson	Richard Foster	Maintained Primary - headteacher
	Kate Andrews	Academies
	Alison Banner	LA maintained secondary schools
	Beverley Blower	PRU - Management Committee
	Adam Breakwell	Maintained Primary - headteacher
	Alex Davies	Academies (primary)
	Stewart Debenham	Maintained Primary - headteacher
	Paul Deneen	Trade Unions
	Nicki Gilbert	LA Special Schools
	Andy Gosling	Secondary Governors
	Georgie Griffin	Primary Governors
	Kate Joiner	Academy Special School
	Tim Knapp	Academies
	Chris Lewandowski	Trade Unions
	Rose Lloyd	Early Years Providers
	Hayley Manns	Early Years providers
	Gemma Martin	Diocese of Hereford
	Clare Perez	16-19 Providers
	Rachel Ussher	LA Maintained Primary School (nursery class)

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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 21 November 2025.	5 - 10
5. DEFICIT MANAGEMENT PLAN To report on the progress of delivering the Deficit Management Plan (DMP). (No background papers)	
6. SCHOOLS BUDGET 2026/27 To approve School Forum's recommended budget proposals for school budgets, central school services and early years within the Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) for 2026/27.	11 - 36
7. REVISIONS TO HEREFORDSHIRE'S SCHEME FOR FINANCING SCHOOLS For Schools Forum to consider and approve amendments to the Herefordshire's Scheme for Financing Schools (Local Management of Schools (LMS) Scheme), for implementation with immediate effect.	37 - 46
8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING Friday 20 March 2026.	