

Agenda

Herefordshire Schools Forum

Date: **Friday 23 October 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
Richard Foster
Nicki Gilbert
Andy Gosling
Georgie Griffin
Kate Joiner
Tim Knapp
Rose Lloyd
Rachel Ussher

Stuart Wetson
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
Local Authority Maintained Primary School
LA Special Schools
Secondary Governors
Primary Governors
Academy Special School
Academies
Early Years Providers
LA Maintained Primary School (nursery class)
LA maintained secondary schools
16-19 providers

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1.	ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON To elect a chairperson for the ensuring year.	
2.	ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRPERSON To elect a vice-chairperson for the ensuing year.	
3.	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE To receive apologies for absence.	
4.	NAMED SUBSTITUTES (IF ANY) To receive any details of Members nominated to attend the meeting in place of a Member of the Forum.	
5.	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST To receive any declarations of interest by Members in respect of items on the Agenda.	
6.	MINUTES To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 10 July 2026.	5 - 10
7.	DSG DEFICIT MANAGEMENT PLAN AND SEND REFORMS To provide an update to the Schools Forum on the DSG Deficit Management Plan and SEND Reforms.	11 - 50
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10.	SCHOOLS NATIONAL FUNDING FORMULA 2027/28 UPDATE To provide an update to the Forum on the Schools National Funding Formula 2027/28, including the recommendations of the Budget Working Group (BWG) on the Herefordshire schools' budget 2027/28.	83 - 88
11.	REQUEST TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO DISAPPLY THE SCHOOL FINANCE REGULATIONS To request the continued support of Schools Forum in respect of a Disapplication request to the Secretary of State for Education for exceptional circumstances for Eastnor Primary School's rent of additional classrooms.	89 - 92
12.	DE-DELEGATIONS AND EDUCATION MANAGEMENT FUNCTION PROPOSAL 2027/28 To request Schools Forum agree the De-Delegated Services and the Education Management Function for 2027/28.	93 - 100

13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 19 January 2027, 9:30am

