

<b>MEETING</b>	SCHOOLS BUDGET FORUM
<b>DATE</b>	18 June 2018
<b>TITLE</b>	Schools' Grants 2018/19
<b>PURPOSE</b>	For your information
<b>RECOMMENDATION</b>	Approve the report
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Here is a summary by sector of the various grants for 2018/19 –

Schools	<i>PDG 5-15years</i>	<i>PDG under 5years</i>	<b>Total PDG</b>	<i>EIG notional Foundation Phase</i>	<i>EIG Other</i>	<b>Total EIG</b>	<b>6th Form grant</b>	<b>Total Grants</b>
Primary	£1,187,950	£267,400	<b>£1,455,350</b>	£2,859,037	£521,679	<b>£3,380,717</b>		<b>£4,836,067</b>
Middle	£71,300	£9,100	<b>£80,400</b>	£105,090	£32,780	<b>£137,870</b>		<b>£218,270</b>
Secondary	£750,950		<b>£750,950</b>		£332,079	<b>£332,079</b>	<b>£3,182,291</b>	<b>£4,265,320</b>
Special	£35,650	£0	<b>£35,650</b>		£16,197	<b>£16,197</b>		<b>£51,847</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>£2,045,850</b>	<b>£276,500</b>	<b>£2,322,350</b>	<b>£2,964,127</b>	<b>£902,735</b>	<b>£3,866,735</b>	<b>£3,182,291</b>	<b>£9,371,504</b>

**Appendix 1** details the main grants which have been delegated to each school in Gwynedd for 2018/19 – a total of £9.4million over and above the £70million delegated by the Council.

#### **Pupil Development Grant (PDG) 2018/19 £2,322,350 (2017/18 £2,271,450)**

The grant is allocated on the basis of pupils eligible for free school meals. For statutory school aged pupils 5-15 years old, the grant is £1,150 per head and for the under 5 years old the grant is £700 per head. The purpose of the grant is to target pupils who are most disadvantaged to improve standards in literacy, numeracy and to bridge the gap between these children and their peers.

As in 2017/18 the grant is based on January 2016 PLASC data for free school meals for 2018/19 and also for 2019/20.

### **Education Improvement Grant (EIG) 2018/19 £4,925,601 (2017/18 £5,217,001)**

The purpose of the EIG is to raise standards. There is a specific formula for allocating the notional Foundation Phase element of the grant, with the requirement to work towards achieving a 1:8 adult to pupil ratio in nursery and reception classes, whilst the ratio is 1:15 in years 1 and 2.

The remainder of the EIG is allocated based on 80% pupil numbers and 20% free school meals.

Allocation of the 14-16 Network and Language Centres is to be confirmed.

On an all-Wales basis the grant has been substantially cut -11.4% in 2018/19 and a further -8.5% in 2019/20.

**GwE provides full support to schools on their use of the EIG and PDG, whilst also having responsibility to monitor and challenge their use of this funding.**

### **6th Form Grant 2018/19 £3,182,291 (2017/18 £3,407,388)**

Of the 13 secondary schools in Gwynedd, 7 schools provide 6th form courses. The grant allocation is based on a combination of pupil numbers/number of courses, deprivation, sparsity and Welsh medium education.

Notification has already been received by Welsh Government that on an all-Wales level the grant will be cut by -£9.8million or -10% in 2019/20, which is the equivalent of approximately -£320,000 (-£380,000 in real terms or -12%) for the seven Secondary Schools in Gwynedd with 6th form classes.