**Appendix 6 - Schools Block Budget Consultation 2022/23**

This consultation concerns the schools budget share model for the period April 2022 to March 2023. Schools impacted are mainstream schools from reception to year 11.

The consultation period will run from Monday 18th October to Monday 15th November 2021. **We would be grateful if schools could coordinate their responses between interested parties and return only one response per school.**

Consultation responses should be emailed no later than close of business on Monday **15th November 2021** to education finance at [edufinance@lbhf.gov.uk](mailto:edufinance@lbhf.gov.uk)

Please complete the response boxes using the Microsoft Word application where possible. If you have any technical difficulties, please email the Education Finance Team.

Only Maintained schools are impacted by Question 6 below.

Please email one response per school only.

**School Name:**

**Response Submitted by:**

(Name and Position)

**Question 1** – Provisional Modelling (see sections 3 of consultation document)

Do you have any comments with respect to the proposed approach with NFF factors uniformly uplifted and with a 0.5% MFG as modelled in Model 1?

**Question 2** – Looked After Children (LAC) Factor (see section 3)

Do you have any comments or feedback on the proposal to continue to include the LAC factor value in 2022/23 which is an optional funding element in the National Funding Formula?

**Question 3** – Falling Roll Provision (see section 4)

Do you have any comments or feedback on the proposal to establish a limited falling rolls fund in 2022/23 and to target falling rolls protection to schools based on the criteria set out in section 4?

**Question 4** – Falling Roll Funding Requests 2022/23

**Will your school be seeking access to the Falling Rolls fund for roll changes between October 2020 and October 2021 census points (subject to budget approval on 18th January 2022 Schools Forum).**

Please provide details of your application for funding consistent with the criteria detailed in paragraph 4.4 of the Consultation Document. It is essential that schools can evidence in their application:

* how the falling rolls funding will assist with achieving a balanced budget over the medium term.
* that support is consistent with DfE NFF funding regulations for 2022/23
* why the school should be supported with a top slice of other schools budget shares.

As with 2021/22 a subgroup of the Schools Forum will consider applications and make recommendations to Schools Forum to award funding to schools in January 2022 following evaluation of demand against the available funding and the criteria set. Schools should be prepared to submit detailed budget and falling rolls mitigation plans for peer group review.

**Question 5** – 0.5% Schools Block to High Needs Block Transfer (see section 3.3)

Do you have any comments or feedback on the proposal to transfer 0.5% or estimated £0.56m of Schools Block funding to support expenditure for Hammersmith and Fulham’s children with high needs in 2022/23?

**Question 6** – Proposed 2022/23 De-delegated and Education Functions Budgets **(Maintained Schools Only)** (see sections 5 and 6 of the consultation document for details)

Do you have any feedback on the proposed maintained schools’ budgets for de-delegated items and education functions?

**Question 7** – Any further comments or feedback on Schools Budget 2022/23

Please let us know of any other comments or feedback on the proposed Hammersmith and Fulham Schools Block Funding Formula or other ways to reduce costs through innovation, further collaboration or cost sharing arrangements?

**Question 8 –** Scheme for Financing Schools and Financial Procedures (Maintained Schools Only)

Please let us know of any comments you have with respect to the proposed amendments to the Scheme for Financing Schools and Financial Procedures. These are detailed in Appendix 5 a, b & c of the consultation document.