

## **NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL**

### **SCHOOLS FORUM**

#### **Increase in Looked After Children Pupil Premium from April 2022**

#### **1. OBJECT AND KEY POINTS IN THIS REPORT**

- 1.1 This report provides Schools Forum with notification of the increase in Pupil Premium for Looked After Children to Local Authorities from April 2022.

#### **2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

- 2.1 Pupil premium is funding to improve education outcomes for disadvantaged pupils in schools in England. Evidence shows that disadvantaged children generally face additional challenges in reaching their potential at school and often do not perform as well as other pupils.

Virtual School Heads are responsible for managing the funding given to local authorities for the children in their care. They work with schools to ensure the funding is used to help deliver the outcomes identified in the children's personal education plans.

They can pass all of the funding on to schools or retain some to fund activities that will benefit a group, or all of the authority's looked-after children.

In April 2018 the funding allocation per looked after child increased to £2,300. It was agreed through Schools Forum that schools would receive £630 per term payable through identified SMART targets on the termly Pupil Education Plan (PEP). The remaining balance £420 per child would be held within the Virtual School to support additional needs and support where it was needed.

In April 2022, the funding allocation has increased to £2,410 per looked after child. An increase of £110 per child.

**3. OPTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION**

- 3.1 That the increase in pupil premium for looked after children is accessed by schools as part of the termly PEP and the amount payable per child per term will increase from £630 to £667 subject to appropriate SMART targets identified within PEPs.

**4. ANALYSIS OF OPTIONS**

- 4.1 The increase in funding will support best outcomes and attainment for looked after children in order to help and support them to make progress in line with their peers.

**5. FINANCIAL AND OTHER RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (e.g. LEGAL, HR, PROPERTY, IT, COMMUNICATIONS etc.)**

- 5.1 N/A

**6. OTHER RELEVANT IMPLICATIONS (e.g. CRIME AND DISORDER, EQUALITIES, COUNCIL PLAN, ENVIRONMENTAL, RISK etc.)**

- 6.1 N/A

**7. OUTCOMES OF INTEGRATED IMPACT ASSESSMENT (IF APPLICABLE)**

- 7.1 N/A

**8. OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION AND CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS DECLARED**

- 8.1 N/A

**9. RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 9.1 That the Forum accept the recommendation in 3.1

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**Background Papers used in the preparation of this report –**

Guidance: Pupil Premium Overview updated 6<sup>th</sup> April 2022  
Pupil Premium Funding Rates and Eligibility 2022/23

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