

Meeting of the Full Council – 28 February 2019

Report on the Education Scrutiny Committee meeting held on the 6 December 2018

Chair: County Councillor Christian Wakeford

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The Future of Maintained Nursery Schools

The report presented detailed information on the task and finish group convened in recognition of the significant financial challenges being faced by maintained nursery schools (MNS) to support sustainability and future direction.

Resolved: That;

- i. The report be noted.
- ii. The proposed actions in the future and the intention to have regard to relevant statutory guidance be noted.
- iii. An all-party Notice of Motion be submitted to February Full Council around the funding formula from Central Government.
- iv. An update from the working group be presented to the June 2019 meeting.

Schools in Financial Difficulty

The report presented provided the Education Scrutiny Committee with an update on Lancashire schools in financial difficulty (SIFD), their categorisation, and the support that was being provided.

Resolved: That;

- i. The report presented be noted.
- ii. An update on the figures of schools in financial difficulty including how this has transitioned over time be presented to a future meeting of the Committee.

School Governance

The report presented provided background information on the governance of schools, the role of the local authority and the provision of support to Lancashire schools.

Resolved: That;

- i. The report presented be noted
- ii. Details of chairs forums be circulated to members along with details of governor vacancies in all districts.