REPORT TO: School Forum

DATE: 17th March 2014

REPORTING OFFICER: Finance Officer, Financial Management Division

SUBJECT: New features in the School and Early Years

finance regulations 2013 and DSG conditions

2014-15

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To report to the School Forum an update on the new features in the school and Early Years finance regulations 2013 and the DSG conditions 2014-15.

2.0 **RECOMMENDATION**

(1) The report be noted.

3.0 **SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

The Education Funding Agency (EFA) issued the summary of new features in the Schools Finance (England) regulations 2013 and Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) conditions of grant for the financial year 2014-15.

The attention of Schools Forum is drawn to the following new feature in the Schools Finance regulations 2014-15:

Regulation 3 – includes an amendment to the Schools Forum Regulations 2012 to require the election of a representative of providers of 16 to 19 education to the schools forum, and to remove the inclusion of a representative of the local authority's 14 to 19 partnership on the forum. Eligible institutions are those in the further education sector and other post-school institutions that specialise in Special Educational Needs (SEN) and Learning Difficulties and or Disabilities (LDD) provision, Independent Specialist Providers, where 20% or more of their students reside in the authority's area. This change came into force on 1 January 2014.

The summary is attached in full in Appendix A.

4.0 **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1 None
- 5.0 **OTHER IMPLICATIONS**
- 5.1 None