REPORT TO: School Forum

DATE: 23rd June 2014

REPORTING OFFICER: Finance Officer, Financial Management Division

SUBJECT: School Balances 2013-14

1.0 **Purpose of the Report**

- 1.1 To report to the School Forum the level of balances brought forward from 2013-14 by Halton Schools.
- 2.0 **Recommendation: That**
 - 1. the report be noted.
 - 2. School Forum decides if they wish any school to explain their balance to the School Forum.
- 3.0 Background
- 3.1 Following discussion at the School Forum meeting in January 2013, the excess surplus balance limits previously imposed on schools were lifted for 2012-13 and has continued for 2013-14. However the balances were still to be monitored.
- 3.2 The level of balances in the Individual School Budget held by Halton Schools brought forward into 2014-15 is £7,331,527. This is an increase of £161,477 to the balance carried forward into 2013-14 of £7,170,050. A total of £356,575 Non-LMS funds were carried forward into 2013-14 by schools. This balance has reduced by £99,728 to give a balance of £263,181 to be carried forward into 2014-15.
- 3.3 Appendix A details the Individual School Budget balances with comparison to 2012-13.
- 3.4 Appendix B details the Non-LMS balances brought forward into 2014-15. The majority of this balance is Devolved Formula Capital monies plus a small amount of Additional Grant to Schools which was duplicated and is due to be reclaimed by the DFE.