REPORT TO: School Forum

DATE: 16th March 2015

REPORTING OFFICER:Senior Finance Officer, Financial Management
Division**SUBJECT:**Early Years Funding for 2015-16

1.0 **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1.1 To report to the School Forum the Additional Notional SEN funding criteria and allocations for 2014-15

2.0 **RECOMMENDATION**

RECOMMENDED:

- (1) The report be noted.
- (2) That the funding formula for Maintained Early Years settings is agreed.
- (3) That the funding formula for the PVI settings is agreed

3.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

3.1 Background

Under the new School Funding Regulations we are required to gain agreement from Schools Forum on the funding factors used for the Early Years settings.

3.2 Maintained Sector

It is proposed that we do not change the funding factors used – namely Basic per pupil, Deprivation (using IDACI), Lump Sum and LA Rates (for Nursery Schools only).

- 3.3 Private, Voluntary and Independent Sector Again it is proposed that we do not change the funding factors used – Basic per pupil, Deprivation (IDACI) and LA Rates.
- 3.4 The cash values for the funding factors for Maintained settings still being calculated and we are awaiting the PVI data to calculate their funding values. Therefore, the cash values will be tabled at the meeting.

4.0 **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 None

5.0 **OTHER IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 None