

National Funding Formula - Implications for Northumberland

2018/19 Funding Arrangements

1. The Secretary of State's announcement in July that the National Funding Formula (NFF) would go ahead in 2018/19 provided some headlines:
 - a minimum increase of 0.5% per pupil
 - a maximum of 3% per pupil in each of the next two years
 - funding of at least £4,800 per pupil by 2019/20 for secondary schools
 - a High Needs NFF in line with the consultation proposals published in December 2016
 - the 'Hard NFF', whereby DfE would directly fund all schools, has been deferred, with no primary legislation proposed in the next two years.
2. As predicted the devil is in the detail, i.e. in the operational guidance for 2018/19. The document was published on 4th August. Here I attempt to summarise the contents of the guidance, in a way that I hope will raise awareness of the implications of the reforms and assist schools and the local authority to identify the choices that need to be made when preparing budgets for 2018/19.

Overview

3. The operational guidance outlines some changes relating to the structure and values within the funding that goes to LAs as Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG):
 - Creation of the Central School Services Block to fund central services carried out by the LA.
 - New baselines for Schools, High Needs and Central Services Blocks, derived from each LA's 2017/18 spending plans, as a starting point for any guarantees in 2018/19.
 - Minimum increases in funding in 2018/19: at least +0.5% per pupil for the Schools Block and +0.5% in cash terms for the High Needs Block. But in both cases, this guarantee will only benefit those LAs that would have seen changes below this level in the NFF redistribution.
 - The NFF will provide LAs with per pupil funding of at least £4,800 for secondary schools with pupils in Y10 and Y11 by 2019/20. The guidance does not indicate the phasing of the additional funding to LAs that will be needed to cover this guarantee.
 - In 2018/19, LAs will be allowed to transfer up to 0.5% of their Schools Block to the High Needs Block to cover cost pressures, with the agreement of the Schools Forum. An exceptional application can be made to the Secretary of State where the Forum opposes the transfer or where a higher transfer than 0.5% of the Schools Block is needed.
 - Money for pupils in SEN units/resource bases will be transferred from the High Needs Block to the Schools Block to reflect new funding arrangements.

4. The guidance also provides information on new requirements and choices in the local formula. The announcement referred to how DfE would fund LAs, but many will have interpreted it as a guarantee to individual schools, this is not the case. The unknown factor was how much flexibility LAs would have when distributing that funding.
5. What is now clear is that **there will still be the potential for schools to lose funding up to minus 1.5% per pupil in each year** as a result of local formula changes. The secondary school £4,800 per pupil guarantee is total per pupil funding, not basic entitlement, and it will be staged over the two-year period to March 2020.
6. DfE will still provide all the data for local funding formulae, with a draft Authority Proforma Tool (APT) provided in the summer to help LAs to plan, and a final version in December reflecting the October census data that drives the actual DSG Schools Block allocations. LAs must submit the completed APT to DfE by 19th January 2018.

Important changes

7. The NFF results for every school, plus premises/growth funding, will be converted into Schools Block allocations per pupil for each LA. However, there will be separate per pupil values for primary and secondary schools.
8. While the Minimum Funding Guarantee (MFG) will remain at a maximum loss of 1.5% per pupil per year, LAs will have discretion to improve this, setting it at a figure anywhere between 0% and minus 1.5%. The ability to do so will depend on the LA's DSG settlement and local priorities.
9. Formula changes include:
 - LAs can use both current Free School Meals (FSM) and Ever 6 FSM for deprivation, as well as the IDACI factor. Currently only one of the FSM indicators has to be chosen.
 - LAs can remove the LAC factor, to reflect DfE's increase in Pupil Premium Plus rates (value not yet known). The NFF does not include a LAC factor, so there is no funding for it.
 - Pupils in SEN units and resource bases will now attract budget share via the formula. The place-led funding from an LA's High Needs Budget will therefore reduce from £10k to £6k.
 - An optional factor may provide a transitional minimum per pupil funding for secondary schools as a step towards £4,800 in 2019/20. LAs do not have to provide this.
10. The guidance document explains the consultation requirements for formula changes and transfers between blocks, Forum decisions on central and de-delegated budgets, and the need for political approvals. Information is also provided on funding transfers for exclusions and on the correct treatment for pupil number growth, clarifying what is recouped from LA DSG for academies/free schools.

Local decisions

11. The main questions on which we will be consulting the Schools Forums are whether to:
 - Propose a transfer of funding from the Schools Block to the High Needs Block. This will be informed by the local High Needs review which DfE have asked all LAs to conduct.
 - Make an application to DfE for a High Needs transfer above 0.5% of the Schools Block.

- Continue any LAC factor in the light of an increase in Pupil Premium Plus rates of funding.
- Provide a factor to guarantee secondary schools a minimum rate of per pupil funding across the full formula, working towards £4,800 in 2019/20.
- Vary the MFG to a point between 0% and -1.5%.
- Use either or both current FSM and Ever 6 FSM within the deprivation element.

Actions – budget preparation for 2018/19

12. Here is a checklist of the key actions we need to consider in preparing for 2018/19:
- Convene a working group if changes to the funding formula are being proposed, brief group members and consider the options identified in the section above on Local Decisions.
 - Once formula values are announced in September, use pupil number estimates and the draft APT to estimate DSG allocations, sketching out requirements for the four blocks. Assess the impact of separate rates for primary and secondary Schools Block allocations.
 - Develop draft budgets for each block, remembering to adjust the High Needs place-led budget for SEN units and resource bases to reflect the lower rate of £6k per place.
 - Prepare for High Needs place return in November, gathering information from other LAs and being aware of implications if FE providers do not agree with any reductions in places – ESFA will recoup funding based on previous year's student number return.
 - Prepare for submission of Authority Proforma Tool for funding formula by 19th January (with option for a revised submission by 19th February if an updated disapplication request has to be made for a High Needs funding transfer after DSG is announced).
 - Decide on political approval process and leave enough time to brief Lead Members on the decisions that they will need to take.

Challenges in distribution of formula

13. The DfE is handing over to LAs the difficult balancing act of distributing the funding. The inability to find a formulaic solution for premises-related factors and pupil number growth means funding for these elements will be allocated to LAs on the basis of their 2017/18 spending. This presents an immediate risk of having to absorb extra costs for rates, PFI inflation etc. We may therefore find it difficult to replicate the guaranteed increases.
14. What wasn't made clear in the July announcement was the potential for schools to lose up to 1.5% per pupil as a result of local formula changes.
15. The £4,800 minimum guarantee for secondary schools relates to the funding provided by DfE, and only applies to schools with pupils in Y10 and Y11. It will be phased between the two years. It is up to us whether to include this guarantee in their formula. We may not be able to afford it.

SEN Units and Resource Bases

16. By reducing the place-led funding from £10k to £6k for pupils in SEN units and resource bases, there is an assumption that the Schools NFF will deliver £4k per pupil in budget shares. Some schools may not receive this, especially large primary schools where the lump sum is spread thinly and those with low deprivation and other additional needs characteristics. LAs will be able to fund empty places at the full £10k per place, creating a perverse situation in some schools of an empty place potentially being worth more than an occupied place.

Funding pupil number growth

17. DfE is allocating funding for growth funds on the basis of the previous years spend, which could well be lower. With rising demand for new places now affecting the secondary sector, this could significantly dilute the funding available to schools in an area and make it much more difficult for an LA to meet the guarantees. As population trends vary geographically, this does not seem equitable and will frustrate the idea of a national formula.
18. Part of the £1.3bn extra funding to improve the school funding deal is being generated by efficiencies from running some free school building projects through LAs, so there might be pressures in capital funding as well, if LAs are expected to stretch existing allocations and free schools will no longer be established.

Addressing High Needs cost pressures

19. The restriction on transfers to the High Needs Block could cause significant problems for us in balancing our budget for provision and services in this area of provision and services. We already know that in Northumberland as in the majority of LAs, there have recently been significant increases in spending on High Needs above the level of funding provided.
20. A 0.5% cash increase is welcome. However, the extra funding is unlikely to make a huge amount of difference, given cost pressures such as the 1% pay award for teachers and a pension contribution increase in 2019, plus the trend of rising needs, which are particularly notable in autism and SEMH.
21. By comparing the baseline file published by DfE with the DSG allocations for 2017/18, we can measure the cost pressures by identifying the transfer of funding LAs made from their Schools Block into their High Needs Block in 2017/18.
22. This analysis shows:
 - In 2017/18, **80** out of 150 LAs made transfers into their High Needs Blocks, totalling **£118.3m**. This represented an average shortfall in funding of **3.5%**.
 - The three highest transfers increased High Needs spending by 11.7%, 12.6% and 16.2%. A further fifteen LAs had increases between 5% and 10%.
 - Of the 80 LAs, 53 also had historic transfers up to and including 2016/17, when in total 106 LAs were shown to have transferred £322.6m to their High Needs Blocks over time.
23. This gives a clear indication of a continuing trend of unfunded pressures on High Needs budgets. We need to express the transfer as a percentage of the new Schools Block baseline. Anything over 0.5% would not be allowed.
24. Looking at the 80 LAs who made a transfer above £1k from the Schools Block into the High Needs Block in 2017/18, the total transfer of £118.3m equates to 0.62% of the new Schools Block baseline for 2018/19. In other words, if the restriction to 0.5% had been in place this year, the average transfer would have exceeded the limit.
25. Real difficulties can be seen when we start to look at individual LAs. Of the 80 LAs, 44 would have transfers totalling £46m above the new limit if the spend was repeated in 2018/19. It is not possible to predict the success rate for exceptional applications to DfE to increase transfers.

27. Although DfE has asked all LAs to conduct a review of High Needs provision and services to identify efficiencies, placements will need to be continued for existing cohorts of pupils, so it could take a long time for substantial savings to be achieved. The implication is that mainstream schools may need to absorb more costs for lower level SEND and become more inclusive, while those with specialist provision will be challenged to provide better value for money. Ever tougher times are ahead for High Needs provision and services.

Conclusions

28. The guidance may be disappointing for some who interpreted the July announcement as meaning all schools would receive at least a 0.5% increase per pupil. But with some elements of funding being based on 2017/18 spending, and a requirement to fund new provision on estimated pupils they are not receiving grant for, we will still face challenges in balancing their formula to the available funding.
29. High Needs funding, is still a major concern, because it is not keeping pace with rising demand for specialist provision. Our review will be crucial in helping to address the problem, but progress may be slow because of pre-existing placements.
30. With further information not being made available until September, the timetable for working out budgets will be extremely demanding. We will need to develop a timetable and work closely together in order to achieve an optimal set of arrangements.

Potential Local Implications of the 14 September announcement regarding the impact of the National Funding Formula

31. You may have read in the press that the government has announced an extra £1.3bn for school funding and that across the North east of England this amounts to £33m. The new formula is designed to give a fairer deal to schools which have historically suffered from under-funding – such as those in rural areas.
32. Justine Greening announced that the basic funding for each pupil will increase, a lump sum of £110k will be allocated to all schools to help with fixed costs and £26m will be provided to rural and isolated schools to help them with their unique challenges.
33. If the new formula were introduced today it would mean that in total Northumberland schools would be allocated an additional £4.6m. However it is proposed that the new funding formula is phased in over three years so this full amount will only be available in 2020. Next year the increase will amount to around £2.8m which represents an increase of 1.5%. This increase is solely in the Schools Block allocation.
34. The precise allocations will vary according to the number of pupils attending each school, so although no school will lose out in their per-pupil funding, if they have fewer pupils, they will have less funding. In small schools a relatively small decrease in numbers can result in a large overall loss.
35. The £110k lump sum represents the funding lump sum we already give to first and primary schools. We allocate middle and secondary schools a larger lump sum currently so they will in fact receive less funding as a result of this change.
36. The rurality factor of £26m is spread out nationally, with some very strict guidelines on how isolation and rurality are defined. On the face of it many of our schools are in rural and isolated areas but because of their proximity to other schools they may not qualify for the

sparsity factor. The overall sum for sparsity is unlikely to amount to more than £10k per school.

37. Schools report that due to rising costs such as increases to teachers pay (a 1-2% increase this year) and inflation that although the addition of extra funding is welcome it is unlikely to solve the whole problem of funding.
38. The local authority will be funded in the new system via a grant – the central services grant. Provisionally we have been allocated £3,157,925, this will clearly not cover statutory services (e.g. transport, inclusion, SEND, safeguarding, place planning, maintenance) where the local authority has to cover costs via its core budget, but is intended to cover cost of non-statutory functions – support for schools.
39. The high needs block allocation in the grant indicates it will be £31,797,134, the same as the 2017/18 baseline figure of £31,797,134. This block is under severe pressure and last year's £1.7m overspend will have to be recouped before the new funding formula is introduced.
40. Initial figures published for 2018/19 are indicative and the figures will be influenced by October 2017 Census data, however 2018/19 and illustrative 2019/20 funding allocations are shown in the table below. Notional school by school figures, as published by the Government are attached at Appendix A.

	2016/17 Actual	2017/18 Actual	<i>2017/18 DfE baseline</i>	2018/19	2019/20
	<i>all figs £m</i>				
Schools Block	176.681	177.157	174.396	177.277	178.525
High Needs	30.507	32.229	31.797	31.797	31.903
Sub total	207.188	209.386	206.193	209.074	210.428
Education Services Grant	3.150	0.855			
New Central School Services Block			3.192	3.157	3.124
TOTAL	210.338	210.241	209.385	212.231	213.552

NB Early Years allocations not included in this analysis

41. The 2017/18 “Baseline” figures published by the Department for Education do not reflect the current actual allocations but reflect a national adjustment transferring funding between the respective blocks. Work is ongoing to understand the reasons why this reallocation has been made. It should be remembered these are provisional and will be influenced by the October 2017 census figures.
42. It should be noted that at this stage overall levels of increase for Northumberland are only £1.990m (0.9%) for 2018/19 and £1.321m (0.6%) for 2019/20 respectively – less than the 1% pay award generally built into budgets.
43. The total of the individual school figures in Appendix A does not agree with the headline local authority level Schools Block figure for Northumberland published by the DfE due to an adjustment for “growing” schools noted in the calculations for Cramlington Village Primary School.
44. No details of Early Year Block allocations have been made available at this stage.

Appendix A

School	Baseline funding (2017-18)	Notional total NFF funding in 2018-19	Illustrative total NFF funding in 2019-20	18/19 Increase	19/20 Increase	18/19 Increase %	19/20 Increase %
Abbeyfields 1st School	£1,031,000	£1,058,000	£1,069,000	£27,000	£11,000	2.6%	1.0%
Acklington C of E First School	£148,000	£149,000	£150,000	£1,000	£1,000	0.7%	0.7%
Acomb First School	£291,000	£295,000	£295,000	£4,000	£0	1.4%	0.0%
Adderlane Academy	£399,000	£407,000	£408,000	£8,000	£1,000	2.0%	0.2%
Allendale Primary School	£446,000	£455,000	£464,000	£9,000	£9,000	2.0%	2.0%
Alnwick St Michaels CoE Primary School	£599,000	£614,000	£616,000	£15,000	£2,000	2.5%	0.3%
Alnwick The Duke's Middle School	£298,000	£299,000	£300,000	£1,000	£1,000	0.3%	0.3%
Amble First School	£505,000	£517,000	£524,000	£12,000	£7,000	2.4%	1.4%
Amble Links First	£572,000	£585,000	£589,000	£13,000	£4,000	2.3%	0.7%
Ashington High School Sports College	£4,994,000	£5,058,000	£5,058,000	£64,000	£0	1.3%	0.0%
Astley Community High School	£2,131,000	£2,141,000	£2,151,000	£10,000	£10,000	0.5%	0.5%
Beaconhill Community Primary School	£778,000	£784,000	£784,000	£6,000	£0	0.8%	0.0%
Beaufront 1st School	£337,000	£343,000	£346,000	£6,000	£3,000	1.8%	0.9%
Bede Academy	£6,583,000	£6,709,000	£6,709,000	£126,000	£0	1.9%	0.0%
Bedlington Station Primary School	£842,000	£864,000	£869,000	£22,000	£5,000	2.6%	0.6%
Bedlington West End 1st School	£973,000	£999,000	£1,006,000	£26,000	£7,000	2.7%	0.7%
Bedlington Whitley Memorial Church of England First School	£1,000,000	£1,026,000	£1,026,000	£26,000	£0	2.6%	0.0%
Bedlingtonshire Community High School	£3,355,000	£3,403,000	£3,403,000	£48,000	£0	1.4%	0.0%
Belford First School	£366,000	£367,000	£368,000	£1,000	£1,000	0.3%	0.3%
Belford St Marys C o E Voluntary Aided Middle School	£526,000	£537,000	£545,000	£11,000	£8,000	2.1%	1.5%
Bellingham First School	£296,000	£301,000	£306,000	£5,000	£5,000	1.7%	1.7%
Bellingham Middle School A Specialist Sports College	£652,000	£666,000	£680,000	£14,000	£14,000	2.1%	2.1%
Belsay First School	£351,000	£357,000	£364,000	£6,000	£7,000	1.7%	2.0%
Berwick Academy	£2,453,000	£2,468,000	£2,476,000	£15,000	£8,000	0.6%	0.3%
Berwick Middle	£1,297,000	£1,313,000	£1,313,000	£16,000	£0	1.2%	0.0%

School							
Bothal Primary School	£2,019,000	£2,074,000	£2,094,000	£55,000	£20,000	2.7%	1.0%
Branton Community 1st School	£197,000	£200,000	£203,000	£3,000	£3,000	1.5%	1.5%
Broomhaugh C of E First School	£325,000	£331,000	£337,000	£6,000	£6,000	1.8%	1.8%
Broomhill 1st School	£370,000	£378,000	£384,000	£8,000	£6,000	2.2%	1.6%
Broomley 1st School	£512,000	£524,000	£532,000	£12,000	£8,000	2.3%	1.5%
Burnside Primary School	£1,361,000	£1,398,000	£1,461,000	£37,000	£63,000	2.7%	4.5%
CAMBO FIRST SCHOOL	£261,000	£266,000	£269,000	£5,000	£3,000	1.9%	1.1%
Cambois Primary School	£362,000	£364,000	£365,000	£2,000	£1,000	0.6%	0.3%
Central Primary School	£2,618,000	£2,630,000	£2,642,000	£12,000	£12,000	0.5%	0.5%
Chollerton C of E Aided First School	£224,000	£227,000	£230,000	£3,000	£3,000	1.3%	1.3%
Choppington Primary School	£455,000	£457,000	£458,000	£2,000	£1,000	0.4%	0.2%
CORBRIDGE CofE 1st SCHOOL	£506,000	£517,000	£527,000	£11,000	£10,000	2.2%	1.9%
Corbridge Middle School	£1,261,000	£1,269,000	£1,272,000	£8,000	£3,000	0.6%	0.2%
Cragside C of E Primary School	£1,235,000	£1,269,000	£1,272,000	£34,000	£3,000	2.8%	0.2%
Cramlington Eastlea Primary	£812,000	£828,000	£828,000	£16,000	£0	2.0%	0.0%
Cramlington Learning Village	£7,710,000	£7,938,000	£8,011,000	£228,000	£73,000	3.0%	0.9%
CROFTWAY PRIMARY ACADEMY	£1,592,000	£1,610,000	£1,610,000	£18,000	£0	1.1%	0.0%
Darras Hall First School	£1,563,000	£1,606,000	£1,700,000	£43,000	£94,000	2.8%	5.9%
Dr. Thomlinson C of E Middle	£890,000	£901,000	£901,000	£11,000	£0	1.2%	0.0%
Ellingham C of E First School	£322,000	£328,000	£334,000	£6,000	£6,000	1.9%	1.8%
Ellington Primary School	£733,000	£744,000	£744,000	£11,000	£0	1.5%	0.0%
Embleton Vincent Edwards C of E First School	£179,000	£184,000	£187,000	£5,000	£3,000	2.8%	1.6%
FELTON COE FIRST SCHOOL	£295,000	£300,000	£304,000	£5,000	£4,000	1.7%	1.3%
Glendale Middle School	£620,000	£633,000	£646,000	£13,000	£13,000	2.1%	2.1%
Grange View CE 1st School	£500,000	£511,000	£519,000	£11,000	£8,000	2.2%	1.6%
Greenhaugh County First School	£225,000	£230,000	£233,000	£5,000	£3,000	2.2%	1.3%
Greenhead C of E	£216,000	£222,000	£227,000	£6,000	£5,000	2.8%	2.3%

First School							
Guidepost Ringway Primary School	£659,000	£668,000	£668,000	£9,000	£0	1.4%	0.0%
Haltwhistle Lower School Academy	£694,000	£711,000	£726,000	£17,000	£15,000	2.4%	2.1%
Haltwhistle Upper School Academy	£697,000	£713,000	£729,000	£16,000	£16,000	2.3%	2.2%
Harbottle C of E 1st School	£188,000	£193,000	£197,000	£5,000	£4,000	2.7%	2.1%
HARESIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL	£1,538,000	£1,579,000	£1,592,000	£41,000	£13,000	2.7%	0.8%
Haydon Bridge High School	£1,926,000	£1,934,000	£1,941,000	£8,000	£7,000	0.4%	0.4%
Haydon Bridge Shaftoe Trust Voluntary Controlled Primary School	£507,000	£519,000	£528,000	£12,000	£9,000	2.4%	1.7%
Heddon St. Andrew's School	£591,000	£602,000	£602,000	£11,000	£0	1.9%	0.0%
Henshaw Church of England Aided Primary School	£284,000	£289,000	£293,000	£5,000	£4,000	1.8%	1.4%
Hexham East First School	£511,000	£522,000	£522,000	£11,000	£0	2.2%	0.0%
Hexham Middle School	£1,781,000	£1,831,000	£1,831,000	£50,000	£0	2.8%	0.0%
Highfield Middle School	£1,803,000	£1,844,000	£1,844,000	£41,000	£0	2.3%	0.0%
Hipsburn First School	£497,000	£508,000	£520,000	£11,000	£12,000	2.2%	2.4%
Holy Island CE FIRST SCHOOL	£134,000	£137,000	£139,000	£3,000	£2,000	2.2%	1.5%
Holy Trinity CofE First School	£554,000	£567,000	£576,000	£13,000	£9,000	2.3%	1.6%
Holywell First School	£579,000	£593,000	£606,000	£14,000	£13,000	2.4%	2.2%
Horton Grange Primary School	£1,499,000	£1,559,000	£1,559,000	£60,000	£0	4.0%	0.0%
Hugh Joicey C of E Aided First	£300,000	£305,000	£310,000	£5,000	£5,000	1.7%	1.6%
Humshaugh C of E Aided First School	£206,000	£207,000	£207,000	£1,000	£0	0.5%	0.0%
James Calvert Spence College	£3,537,000	£3,553,000	£3,568,000	£16,000	£15,000	0.5%	0.4%
Kielder Community 1st School	£193,000	£193,000	£194,000	£0	£1,000	0.0%	0.5%
Lindisfarne Middle School	£471,000	£483,000	£492,000	£12,000	£9,000	2.5%	1.9%
Linton Primary School	£233,000	£234,000	£234,000	£1,000	£0	0.4%	0.0%
LONGHORSELEY ST HELENS CE FIRST	£352,000	£359,000	£366,000	£7,000	£7,000	2.0%	1.9%
Longhoughton C of E 1st School	£438,000	£448,000	£457,000	£10,000	£9,000	2.3%	2.0%

Lowick Church of England Voluntary Controlled First School	£234,000	£238,000	£242,000	£4,000	£4,000	1.7%	1.7%
Malvin's Close Primary Academy	£1,693,000	£1,736,000	£1,736,000	£43,000	£0	2.5%	0.0%
Meadowdale Academy	£1,794,000	£1,806,000	£1,811,000	£12,000	£5,000	0.7%	0.3%
Mickley County 1st School	£330,000	£336,000	£338,000	£6,000	£2,000	1.8%	0.6%
Morpeth All Saints CE First School	£676,000	£693,000	£706,000	£17,000	£13,000	2.5%	1.9%
MORPETH CHANTRY MIDDLE SCHOOL	£2,050,000	£2,086,000	£2,086,000	£36,000	£0	1.8%	0.0%
Morpeth First School	£1,036,000	£1,063,000	£1,086,000	£27,000	£23,000	2.6%	2.2%
MORPETH NEWMINSTER MIDDLE SCHOOL	£1,981,000	£2,038,000	£2,044,000	£57,000	£6,000	2.9%	0.3%
Morpeth Road Primary Academy	£1,667,000	£1,675,000	£1,683,000	£8,000	£8,000	0.5%	0.5%
Morpeth Stobhillgate First School	£688,000	£705,000	£706,000	£17,000	£1,000	2.5%	0.1%
Mowbray Primary School	£1,105,000	£1,126,000	£1,126,000	£21,000	£0	1.9%	0.0%
Netherton Northside 1st School	£147,000	£151,000	£153,000	£4,000	£2,000	2.7%	1.3%
New Delaval County Primary School	£993,000	£997,000	£1,001,000	£4,000	£4,000	0.4%	0.4%
New Hartley First School	£500,000	£512,000	£523,000	£12,000	£11,000	2.4%	2.1%
Newbrough C of E Primary School	£248,000	£252,000	£255,000	£4,000	£3,000	1.6%	1.2%
Newsham Primary School	£1,713,000	£1,721,000	£1,729,000	£8,000	£8,000	0.5%	0.5%
Norham St Ceolwulf's C of E First School	£256,000	£260,000	£264,000	£4,000	£4,000	1.6%	1.5%
NORTHBURN PRIMARY SCHOOL	£1,068,000	£1,092,000	£1,092,000	£24,000	£0	2.2%	0.0%
Northumberland CofE Academy	£9,681,000	£9,803,000	£9,803,000	£122,000	£0	1.3%	0.0%
Otterburn First School	£226,000	£231,000	£236,000	£5,000	£5,000	2.2%	2.2%
OVINGHAM C E FIRST SCHOOL	£503,000	£515,000	£526,000	£12,000	£11,000	2.4%	2.1%
Ovingham Middle School	£1,346,000	£1,360,000	£1,360,000	£14,000	£0	1.0%	0.0%
Pegswood County Primary School	£709,000	£727,000	£729,000	£18,000	£2,000	2.5%	0.3%
Ponteland Community High School	£3,789,000	£3,807,000	£3,825,000	£18,000	£18,000	0.5%	0.5%

Ponteland Community Middle School	£2,300,000	£2,363,000	£2,423,000	£63,000	£60,000	2.7%	2.5%
Ponteland First School	£1,167,000	£1,198,000	£1,218,000	£31,000	£20,000	2.7%	1.7%
Prudhoe Castle First School	£337,000	£343,000	£350,000	£6,000	£7,000	1.8%	2.0%
Prudhoe Community High School	£2,923,000	£2,935,000	£2,947,000	£12,000	£12,000	0.4%	0.4%
Prudhoe West First School	£962,000	£986,000	£995,000	£24,000	£9,000	2.5%	0.9%
Queen Elizabeth High School	£4,340,000	£4,361,000	£4,382,000	£21,000	£21,000	0.5%	0.5%
Red Row Community 1st School	£494,000	£505,000	£513,000	£11,000	£8,000	2.2%	1.6%
Richard Coates C of E Middle School	£1,859,000	£1,911,000	£1,916,000	£52,000	£5,000	2.8%	0.3%
Rothbury First School	£427,000	£436,000	£445,000	£9,000	£9,000	2.1%	2.1%
Scremerston First School	£346,000	£353,000	£354,000	£7,000	£1,000	2.0%	0.3%
Seahouses Middle School	£202,000	£205,000	£208,000	£3,000	£3,000	1.5%	1.5%
SEAHOUSES PRIMARY SCHOOL	£452,000	£454,000	£455,000	£2,000	£1,000	0.4%	0.2%
Seaton Delaval 1st School	£769,000	£788,000	£807,000	£19,000	£19,000	2.5%	2.4%
Seaton Sluice 1st School	£587,000	£601,000	£614,000	£14,000	£13,000	2.4%	2.2%
Seaton Sluice Middle School	£1,310,000	£1,330,000	£1,330,000	£20,000	£0	1.5%	0.0%
SEGHILL FIRST SCHOOL	£482,000	£493,000	£504,000	£11,000	£11,000	2.3%	2.2%
Shanklea Primary School	£1,223,000	£1,249,000	£1,249,000	£26,000	£0	2.1%	0.0%
Shilbottle First	£575,000	£585,000	£585,000	£10,000	£0	1.7%	0.0%
Slaley First School	£257,000	£263,000	£268,000	£6,000	£5,000	2.3%	1.9%
Spittal Community School	£638,000	£654,000	£659,000	£16,000	£5,000	2.5%	0.8%
St Aidans First School	£880,000	£894,000	£894,000	£14,000	£0	1.6%	0.0%
ST Bedes RC Voluntary Aided Primary School	£787,000	£807,000	£807,000	£20,000	£0	2.5%	0.0%
St Benedicts RC Middle School	£318,000	£320,000	£321,000	£2,000	£1,000	0.6%	0.3%
St Benet Biscop Catholic Academy	£4,706,000	£4,758,000	£4,758,000	£52,000	£0	1.1%	0.0%
St Cuthberts RC VA First School	£350,000	£357,000	£364,000	£7,000	£7,000	2.0%	2.0%
St Josephs RC VA Middle School	£1,327,000	£1,341,000	£1,341,000	£14,000	£0	1.1%	0.0%
St Marys RC	£441,000	£450,000	£450,000	£9,000	£0	2.0%	0.0%

Voluntary Aided First School							
St Matthew's Catholic Primary School	£489,000	£501,000	£501,000	£12,000	£0	2.5%	0.0%
St Paul's Catholic Academy	£525,000	£537,000	£547,000	£12,000	£10,000	2.3%	1.9%
ST PAUL'S RC VA MIDDLE SCHOOL	£279,000	£291,000	£298,000	£12,000	£7,000	4.3%	2.4%
St Peter's Catholic Academy	£431,000	£433,000	£434,000	£2,000	£1,000	0.5%	0.2%
ST Roberts RC First School	£555,000	£569,000	£580,000	£14,000	£11,000	2.5%	1.9%
St Wilfrid's RC Primary School	£1,160,000	£1,179,000	£1,179,000	£19,000	£0	1.6%	0.0%
St. Mary's C.E. 1st School	£461,000	£471,000	£482,000	£10,000	£11,000	2.2%	2.3%
St. Paul's Roman Catholic Voluntary Aided Primary School	£654,000	£674,000	£691,000	£20,000	£17,000	3.1%	2.5%
Stakeford Primary School	£556,000	£569,000	£582,000	£13,000	£13,000	2.3%	2.3%
Stamfordham First School	£349,000	£356,000	£362,000	£7,000	£6,000	2.0%	1.7%
Stannington 1st School	£362,000	£370,000	£377,000	£8,000	£7,000	2.2%	1.9%
Stead Lane Primary School	£893,000	£897,000	£901,000	£4,000	£4,000	0.4%	0.4%
SWANSFIELD PARK FIRST SCHOOL	£1,004,000	£1,031,000	£1,035,000	£27,000	£4,000	2.7%	0.4%
Swarland First School	£338,000	£344,000	£350,000	£6,000	£6,000	1.8%	1.7%
The Blyth Academy	£4,034,000	£4,143,000	£4,143,000	£109,000	£0	2.7%	0.0%
The Duchess's Community High School	£4,976,000	£4,999,000	£5,022,000	£23,000	£23,000	0.5%	0.5%
The King Edward VI Academy	£4,586,000	£4,609,000	£4,631,000	£23,000	£22,000	0.5%	0.5%
The Sele First School	£1,257,000	£1,291,000	£1,344,000	£34,000	£53,000	2.7%	4.1%
Thropton Village 1st School	£248,000	£253,000	£258,000	£5,000	£5,000	2.0%	2.0%
Tritlington C of E 1st School	£246,000	£250,000	£253,000	£4,000	£3,000	1.6%	1.2%
Tweedmouth Community Middle School	£1,377,000	£1,406,000	£1,406,000	£29,000	£0	2.1%	0.0%
Tweedmouth Prior Park 1st Scho	£638,000	£654,000	£670,000	£16,000	£16,000	2.5%	2.4%
Tweedmouth West First School	£569,000	£582,000	£596,000	£13,000	£14,000	2.3%	2.4%
Wark C of E First School	£228,000	£233,000	£237,000	£5,000	£4,000	2.2%	1.7%

Warkworth C of E Primary School	£341,000	£348,000	£355,000	£7,000	£7,000	2.1%	2.0%
West Woodburn 1st School	£182,000	£185,000	£188,000	£3,000	£3,000	1.6%	1.6%
Whalton C of E First School	£293,000	£298,000	£303,000	£5,000	£5,000	1.7%	1.7%
Whitfield C of E Aided Primary School	£215,000	£219,000	£221,000	£4,000	£2,000	1.9%	0.9%
Whitley Chapel C of E First	£197,000	£201,000	£204,000	£4,000	£3,000	2.0%	1.5%
Whittingham C of E Primary School	£331,000	£336,000	£342,000	£5,000	£6,000	1.5%	1.8%
WHITTONSTALL FIRST SCHOOL	£304,000	£309,000	£315,000	£5,000	£6,000	1.6%	1.9%
Whytrig Middle School	£972,000	£985,000	£985,000	£13,000	£0	1.3%	0.0%
Wooler First School	£511,000	£523,000	£531,000	£12,000	£8,000	2.3%	1.5%
WYLAM FIRST SCHOOL	£506,000	£518,000	£526,000	£12,000	£8,000	2.4%	1.5%
TOTAL	£173,717,000	£176,639,000	£177,876,000	£2,922,000	£1,237,000	1.7%	0.7%
School	Baseline funding (2017-18)	Notional total NFF funding in 2018-19	Illustrative total NFF funding in 2019-20	18/19 Increase	19/20 Increase	18/19 Increase %	19/20 Increase %

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