

Accounting for Targeting Social Need (TSN) Funding

Targeting Social Need (TSN) funding is one of the factors within the Local Management of Schools (LMS) Common Funding Formula (CFF) which delegates funding to grant maintained schools. TSN is intended to support schools in addressing:

- the additional costs of educating children from socially deprived backgrounds, regardless of ability, and the particular challenges faced in schools with high proportions of children from such backgrounds; and
- educational underachievement, by recognising the extra support required by pupils performing below the expected level for their age, regardless of social background.

(Note that funding for pupils with special educational needs is separate from TSN funding and is provided within whole school resources and/or specific central support from the relevant funding authority).

It is important that schools evaluate how effectively they use these funds and account for their use. Schools should include specific reference in their plans and reporting procedures, within the School Development Planning process, to demonstrate how they are using their TSN funding and how this aligns with whole school improvement strategies. The 'TSN Accountability' reporting exercise, which was previously completed separately as part of the LMS Outturn reporting process, will now form part of the annual reporting process for every School Development Plan and schools may find it helpful to use the template below in reporting on their use of TSN funding.

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	USE OF FUNDS ALLOCATED FOR TSN 20xx/xx	£
	Income	
1	Allocated for Educational Attainment	
2	Allocated for Social Deprivation	
	Total	
	Use of funds (estimated where necessary) – for example:	
1	Extra staff to:	
	(a) create smaller class sizes	
	(b) provide specialist support for learning needs	
	(c) provide pastoral care and home-school liaison	
2	Staff development programmes linked to TSN	
3	Curriculum materials and equipment for additional educational needs	
4	Other (please specify)	
	Estimated total resources	
	Narrative <i>For example specific actions and associated resources used by the school in addressing the social deprivation and or educational underachievement needs of pupils.</i>	