

**Consultation on proposed changes to the
COMMON FUNDING SCHEME
FOR
THE LOCAL MANAGEMENT OF SCHOOLS**

RESPONSE FORM

DE Ref:	_____
Board Ref:	_____
School Name:	_____
Principal Name	_____
Address:	_____ _____ _____
Post Code	_____
Tel. No.	_____
Signed on behalf of the Board of Governors	_____
Date:	_____

**PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO YOUR RELEVANT FUNDING
AUTHORITY BY Thursday 25 February 2010**

This Response Form must be used by schools to comment on the proposals for changes to the current Common Funding Scheme.

Section 1

You are provided with tick box options relating to each of the consultation points on proposed changes to the current Common Funding Scheme.

Section 2

This provides for further written comments or any additional views that you may wish to make on the proposals for changes to the current Common Funding Scheme. You can also use this section to submit comments on any other aspects of the current Common Funding Scheme.

Please ensure that you print your school's name in the box provided.

Please note that under the current Open Government Code and the Freedom of Information Act 2005, your response to this consultation may be made available, on request, to the public.

Any queries relating to this Response Form should be directed to your Funding Authority.

A single response, signed on behalf of the school's Board of Governors, should be forwarded to the relevant Funding Authority by Thursday 25 February 2010.

SECTION 1

Common Funding Scheme Part 3 – THE LMS FORMULA

1. AGE WEIGHTED PUPIL UNITS (AWPU) FACTOR.

1.1 Do you agree that the current AWPU weighting of 1.05 that is applied to primary-age pupils should be increased?

YES

NO

No View

1.2 Do you agree that the current AWPU weighting applied to primary-age pupils should be increased to 1.06, on the clear basis that an additional £3m will be included within the Aggregated Schools Budget that will be distributed to schools through the Common Funding Formula in 2010/11, to minimise adverse budgetary impacts on other phases of education as referred to at Paragraphs 1.6 and 1.7 of the attached Consultation documentation?

YES

NO

No View

1.3 Do you agree that the current AWPU weighting applied to primary-age pupils should be increased to 1.06 with no additional funding included within the Aggregated Schools Budget to minimise adverse budgetary impacts on other phases of education as referred to at Paragraphs 1.8 and 1.9 of the attached Consultation documentation?

YES

NO

No View

2. FUNDING FOR PREPARATORY PUPILS.

2.1 Do you agree that grant-aid funding for preparatory pupils should be totally withdrawn with effect from 1 September 2010, on the clear basis that this proposal will be subject to the outcome of a full Equality Impact Assessment (EQIA)?

YES

NO

No View

