**5 January 2015**

**Timetable for the Publication of Budgets for Schools for 2015/16**

The **planned \*** timetable for the publication of budgets for schools for 2015/16 is:

* The Schools Forum will meet between **7 and 14 January 2015** to make final recommendations on formula funding for 2015/16; at this point changes can only be made to factor values and values of de-delegated items, not to the structure of the formula. The timetable of dates for the Schools Forum meetings for the 2014/15 academic year is available on the [Council's Committee Minutes website](http://councilminutes.bradford.gov.uk/wps/portal/%21ut/p/c5/hY_NUoMwAISfpQ_QSUhogCMQ5KepglRouXQo1sgQkqogP09fHC9e1N3jzs5-CwqwWJafNS-7WslSgAMoyIn5dpRB7BFsxhYMjf2WYZsg6KMlP5IT_EU2_KcdgYILdV52clo1I1U2px59_JgdKIIzih5Cv_YiVyXeLhDrVhpT7DSwSvCRK9rKvSLa-zDDKtWf07s3S-).
* January Census will be collected on the **15 January 2015**.

*(Data collected in the January Census will be used to determine Pupil Premium allocations, and the Spring Term Early Years funding in 2014/15 and the estimate of Spring Term Early Years funding in 2015/16).*

* The deadline for the submission of the final formula pro-forma to the Education Funding Agency (EFA), including factor values, is the **20 January 2015**.
* The Council / Executive decide whether or not to accept the School Forum’s recommendations on the 2015/16 Schools Budget between **24 and 26 February 2015**.
* Final Section 251 Budgets for Primary schools for 2015/16, including the 1st Draft Indicative Early Years Single Funding Formula allocations for schools with nursery classes are expected to be published in the week commencing **23 February 2015** (subject to relevant EFA and Council approvals).
* Final Section 251 Budgets for Secondary schools for 2015/16, including an estimate of Post-16 funding\*\*, are expected to be published in the week commencing **23 February 2015** (subject to relevant EFA and Council approvals).
* 1st Draft Indicative Budgets for Nursery schools and PVI providers for 2015/16 are expected to be published in the week commencing **23 February 2015**.
* Confirmed Indicative Early Years funding for maintained and PVI providers for 2015/16 are then expected to be published in the week commencing **16 March 2015**. This gives schools with nursery provision about 3 weeks to check and amend (where required) the data used to calculate their 1st Draft Indicative Early Years Single Funding Formula.

If you have any queries on the school budget timetable, please contact Dawn Haigh on 01274 385701.

Please note that further information will be coming out shortly with regards to the **2015/16 HCSS Budgeting Software**.

\* *This timetable is subject to change. Where the timetable has to change, we will notify schools via ‘*[*latest news and updates*](https://bso.bradford.gov.uk/Schools/CMSPage.aspx?mid=1780)*’ on Bradford Schools Online (BSO).*

**\*\****In the absence of any estimates of 2015/16 Post-16 funding provided by the EFA, an estimate of Post-16 funding for 2015/16 will be calculated by the Local Authority and included in the Final S251 Budgets for secondary schools.*