

WORCESTERSHIRE SCHOOLS FORUM
SCHOOLS IN FINANCIAL DIFFICULTY SUB-GROUP MEETING
12th DECEMBER 2006

ROOM J2 05 COUNTY HALL

A G E N D A

1. Purpose of the Group
2. Sub Group Brief
 - Extract of School Forum Minutes 4th October 2006 – attached
3. Regulatory Issues for Potential Consideration
 - Fair Funding Regulations – attached
 - Impact on the Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG)
 - Impact of new Fair Funding Scheme directed provisions – attached
 - Impact on local financial management issues – e.g. perverse incentive, schools in surplus, well managed/efficient finance function, etc
4. Potential Categories for Support for Schools
 - Application of a scheme to all WCC schools
 - Restriction to schools in deficit? – as at end of FY, deficit projection, etc?
 - OFSTED category application – attached
 - Areas of social deprivation
 - Generally to all schools in deficit
5. Practical Issues for Consideration
 - Need for a formal qualifying scheme and applicable criteria
 - Potential financial support – over a number of years, matched funding arrangements, etc
 - Scheme administration and formal decision
 - Role of the Schools Forum
 - Role of the LA
6. Any Other Business
7. Date of Next Meeting