



## Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council Children's Services Directorate

# Agenda BARNSLEY SCHOOLS FORUM

**Date:** Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2026  
**Time:** 10:00 - 12:00  
**Location:** Westgate Plaza One, Level 4 Meeting room 5

| Ref | Item                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Papers | Officer      |
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| 1   | <b>Welcome, Introductions and Apologies</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Verbal | Chair        |
| 2   | <b>Declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interest</b><br>To consider any declarations of interest from members of the Schools Forum.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Verbal | Chair        |
| 3   | <b>Minutes and action log of previous meeting of the Schools Forum</b><br>To consider the minutes, action log and any matters arising from the Meeting of the Schools Forum, held on March 17 <sup>th</sup> 2026.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | ENC A  | Chair        |
| 4   | <b>Election of the Chair</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Verbal | Vice Chair   |
| 5   | <b>Schools Budget: Latest Forecast Position (Quarter 2: 2026/27)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | ENC B  | Helen Perrin |
| 6   | <b>Schools Funding Settlement and Arrangements for 2027/28</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | ENC C  | Helen Perrin |
| 7   | <b>Record number of children receiving their first-choice school preference</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | ENC D  | Anna Turner  |
| 8   | <b>Any other urgent business</b><br>To consider any additional business which in the view of the Chair of the Schools Forum cannot wait until the next meeting.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Verbal | All          |
| 9   | <b>Future Agenda items for the next meeting of the Schools Forum:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Schools Budget: Latest Forecast Position (Quarter 1: 2025/26) (Helen Perrin)</li> <li>Schools Funding Settlement and Arrangements for 2026/27 (Helen Perrin)</li> <li>Long-term demographic projections, including the declining birth rate and its impact on school place planning and resource allocation. (Anna Turner)</li> <li>Annual Report of the Barnsley Schools Forum (2024/25) and Local Guide (Peter Bell)</li> <li>Presentation of Proposals for In-Borough Provision Funding Reallocation (Sue</li> </ul> |        |              |

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| SCHEDULE OF FUTURE MEETINGS: |               |                    |                     |
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| Date                         | Time          | Venue              | Deadline for papers |
| 22nd October 2026            | 2:00 - 4:00PM | Westgate Boardroom | 9th October 2026    |
| 17th December 2026           | 2:00 - 4:00PM | Westgate Boardroom | 4th December 2026   |
| 21st January 2027            | 2:00 - 4:00PM | Westgate Boardroom | 8th January 2027    |
| 18th March 2027              | 2:00 - 4:00PM | Westgate Boardroom | 5th March 2027      |