

CENTRAL SOUTH CONSORTIUM

JOINT COMMITTEE REPORT

13TH DECEMBER 2022

CENTRAL SOUTH CONSORTIUM GRANTS

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS OF EDUCATION

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1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To provide Members with an update on the grants to be received by the Consortium in 2022/23, for which notifications have been received, and the methods of allocation of each.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

Directors recommend the following to the Joint Committee:

- 2.1 Approve the distribution of grants as detailed in section 4 of this report (and Annex A).

3.0 BACKGROUND

- 3.1 As host authority Rhondda Cynon Taf will act as 'banker authority' and under the terms of the grant agreements will be responsible for accepting the terms and conditions of grant and putting in place arrangements to distribute the funding, as determined by the Joint Committee, within the Consortium.

4.0 METHOD OF APPORTIONMENT

4.1 The method of apportionment of each grant will vary depending on its nature, its intended recipients, its purposes and the associated terms and conditions.

4.2 For each grant the following process shall be adopted:

- The Consortium shall prepare a proposed method of distribution taking into account all relevant criteria.
- The Director of Education (or equivalent) of each authority shall approve the basis of apportionment at the Management Board of the Central South Consortium Joint Education Service. This will ensure appropriate and effective use of grant funding to target school improvement equitably across each of the five local authority areas.
- A report detailing the basis and reasons for the method adopted shall be presented to the Joint Committee for approval.

4.3 This report presents details of 2022/23 grants to the Joint Committee.

5.0 2022/23 GRANTS

5.1 Grant approval letters have been received detailing grant levels for the Central South Consortium. The Directors have agreed to maintain the local authority dis-aggregation of the funding and to apply a common formula for the delegation of the local authority funding to schools.

5.2 Pupil Development Grant (PDG)

5.2.1 The total award of funding for the Pupil Development Grant for the financial year 2022/2023 is £43,484,273 (£37,581,970 in 2021/2022). From April 2022, the PDG has been allocated to support:-

- Learners who are eligible for free school meals (PLASC 2021) and who are educated in maintained schools
- Eligible learners who are singly-registered in pupil referral units (PRUs) and education other than at school (EOTAS)
- Eligible learners in early years settings where the Foundation Phase is delivered
- Looked After Children (LAC), and former LAC who have been adopted from care or who are subject to a special guardianship or residence order aged 3-15
- Employment of PDG Strategic Adviser

The funding is weighted according to category and age of pupils and is tabled below:-

	Level of funding per pupil £
PDG Pupils aged 5-15	1,150
EYPDG Pupils aged 3-4 ¹	1,150
EOTAS Pupils aged 5-15	1,150
EOTAS Pupils aged 3-4 to include Non maintained settings ¹	1,150
PDG LAC Pupils aged 3-15	1,150

5.2.2 The total award of funding includes £236,273 (£278,230 in 2021/2022) for PDG Consortia Led Funding. On the 15th July 2022 CSC Management Board approved that £163k of the PDG Consortia Led funding should be delegated to local authorities to provide targeted support / fund activity at a local level and £73k retained centrally for the RADY and Enabling Equity and Excellence pilot.

5.2.3 For 2022/23 the apportionment of funding is as follows:-

	PDG CLA £	PDG Strategic Adviser £	Delegated Directly to Schools £	Centrally Retained LA Level for EOTAS, Non maintained settings & Consortia Led Funding £	Total £
Bridgend	310,435	0	5,629,250	70,990	6,010,675
Cardiff	619,486	0	16,949,850	366,870	17,936,206
Merthyr Tydfil	116,494	0	2,554,150	54,046	2,724,690
RCT	567,802	0	11,268,850	208,498	12,045,150
Vale of Glam	255,352	0	4,136,550	43,788	4,435,690
CSC	118,781	100,000	0	72,831	291,612
Outside of Wales	40,250	0	0	0	40,250
TOTAL	2,028,600	100,000	40,538,650	817,023	43,484,273

5.3 Regional Consortia School Improvement Grant – Revised Award of Grant Funding

5.3.1 The revised award of funding is £189,993, taking the total award of grant funding for the financial year 2022/23 to £48,842,538.

5.3.2 The aim of the additional funding is to further support the following:

¹ £700 per eligible learner applicable in 2019/2020

- i) National Professional Qualification for Headship (NPQH) - £9,625
- vi) Welsh-medium capacity grant - £134,118
- vii) Supporting vulnerable learners through teaching and learning - £46,250

5.3.3 Members will note that of the revised award of funding (£189,993), £134,118 is delegated to schools and £55,875 retained to manage the programme on behalf of the five local authorities.

5.3.4 An updated breakdown of the apportionment of the funding, in line with the approved CSC 2022/23 Business Plan, can be found in table 1 below.

Table 1 – Regional Consortia School Improvement Grant 2022/23

Regional Consortia School Improvement Grant	2022/2023 Budget Reported on 7th June 2022	2022/2023 Revised Budget	
	£	£	%
<u>Centrally retained funding</u>			
Employee costs	4,404,814	4,290,590	8.3%
Non Employee costs	143,196	197,011	0.4%
Centrally Retained Pan Wales project costs	60,000	60,000	0.1%
Business Plan Activity	2,126,005	2,165,190	4.2%
	6,734,015	6,712,791	13.0%
<u>RCSIG Yet To be allocated</u>			
Pending update from grantor Decision Report - CSC Management Board (Autumn 2022)	1,065,702	0	0.0%
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<u>Delegated funding to LAs & Schools</u>			
Central South Wales Challenge Model (Lead Practitioners)	517,500	488,100	0.9%
Collaboration Model	3,327,578	4,639,366	9.0%
Support to School Partnerships	186,000	186,000	0.4%
Curriculum Reform (Network facilitation)	52,500	52,500	0.1%
Professional Learning funding to schools	3,835,760	3,858,221	7.4%
EIG Element for Schools / PRUs	35,442,360	35,414,430	68.3%
Non Maintained settings - Foundation Phase	314,600	314,600	0.6%
Local authorities (LA) - administration of grant	67,207	67,207	0.1%
LA Annex	98,345	98,345	0.2%
	43,841,850	45,118,769	87.0%
TOTAL GRANT (INCLUDING LA MATCH FUNDING)	51,641,567	51,831,560	
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TOTAL GRANT (EXCLUDING LA MATCH FUNDING)	48,652,545	48,842,538	

	Delegated to schools/LAs	Retained Initially for future delegation to schools	Retained by CSC for Specific Circumstances	Central Salaries	Total	Areas to include	Provisional Apportionment																											
	£	£	£	£	£																													
National Professional Qualification for Headship (NPQH)			9,625		9,625	Deliver NPQH to support the new Professional Standards for Teaching and Leadership and "Our National Mission".	Commitment by WG to fund the costs of retaking assessment by 2021/22 NPQH candidates (£875 per candidate) who failed to meet the requirements of the award.																											
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