

DEDICATED SCHOOLS GRANT (DSG)

Table 1 – 2020/21 DSG Funding Breakdown

DSG Funding Blocks	Total £m
Schools Block (before recoupment)	262.963
High Needs Block (before recoupment)	66.804
Central Schools Services Block	5.831
Early Years Block	28.707
Total DSG Funded Services	364.306

2020/21 DSG allocation for Croydon

In 2020/21 the total DSG settlement for Croydon (including academies) is £364.306m. Academy recoupment is estimated to be in excess of £182m in 2020/21 reducing the DSG total to £182.2m. This total will be subject to change depending on the number of new schools that convert to academies during the year.

The funding per pupil as a result of the introduction of the National Funding Formula (NFF) stipulates a minimum funding rate. The NFF provides two per pupil funding rates, one for primary pupils and one for secondary pupils. In 2020/21, the respective funding rates are £4,504.90 and £5,986.57. The 2019/20 rates per pupil were £4,293.34 for primary pupils and £5,460.8 for secondary pupils.

The latest pupil numbers used to calculate the DSG funding are 51,032 for the Schools block and 9,314 (part time equivalent two to four year olds) within Early Years. These numbers are based on the October 2019 Pupil Level Annual School Census (PLASC) count, although the Early Years Census in January 2020 will be used to update Croydon's DSG allocation with more accurate Early Years pupil numbers during 2020/21.