# **School Funding Formula Consultation**

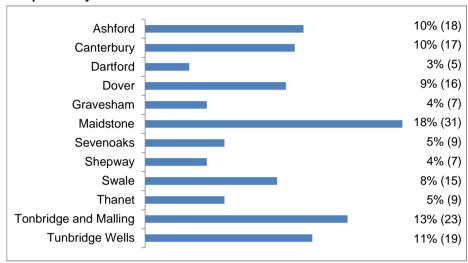
## **Summary of Responses**

#### **Number of Responses**

Primary	112
Secondary	60
Special	5
Total	177

Selective	31
Non Selective	29
Total Secondary	60

#### **Responses by District**

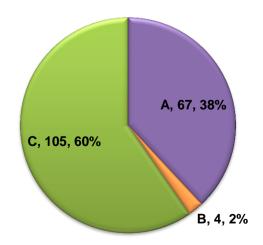


#### Responses by Role



#### Q2. General direction of travel

- A) Aim to replicate the NFF as soon as possible
- B) Continue to prioritise local circumstances and priorities
- C) Take steps towards the NFF, and also take into consideration local circumstances

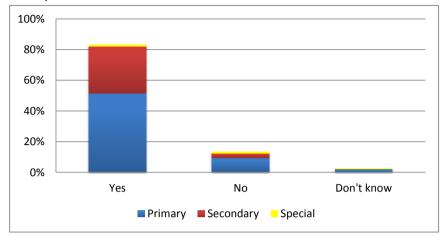


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#### **Removal of Existing Factor**

#### Q3. Removal of the Looked After Children (LAC) factor

Should we look to remove the LAC factor (Looked After Children) from our local funding formula from 1 April 2018 as the Pupil Premium Plus rate has increased?

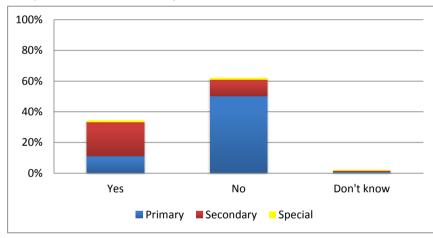


	Yes	No	Don't Know
Primary	91	17	4
Secondary	54	5	0
Special	2	2	1
Total	147	24	5

	Yes	No	Don't Know
Primary	52%	10%	2%
Secondary	31%	3%	0%
Special	1%	1%	1%
Total	84%	14%	3%

## **Reduction to Existing Rates and Protection**

Q4 a) Should we lower the lump sum from £120,000 to £110,000 in line with the NFF rate?

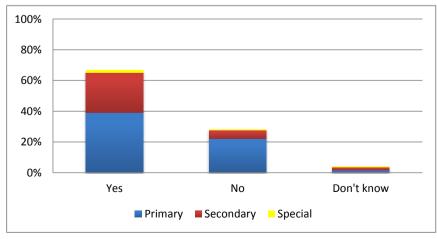


	Yes	No	Don't Know
Primary	20	89	2
Secondary	39	19	1
Special	2	2	1
Total	61	110	4

	Yes	No	Don't Know
Primary	11%	51%	1%
Secondary	22%	11%	1%
Special	1%	1%	1%
Total	35%	63%	2%

Q4 b) Should we lower the English as an Additional Language rate for eligible primary pupils from £885 to £515 so that it is in line with the NFF rate?

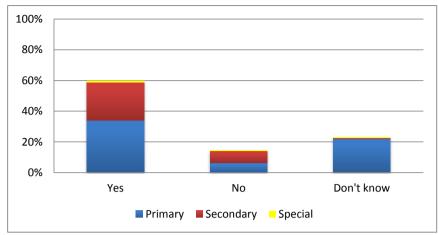
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	Yes	No	Don't Know
Primary	69	39	3
Secondary	46	10	3
Special	3	1	1
Total	118	50	7

	Yes	No	Don't Know
Primary	39%	22%	2%
Secondary	26%	6%	2%
Special	2%	1%	1%
Total	67%	28%	4%

Q4 c) Should we lower the English as an Additional Language rate for eligible secondary pupils from £3,344 to £1,385 so that it is in line with the NFF rate?

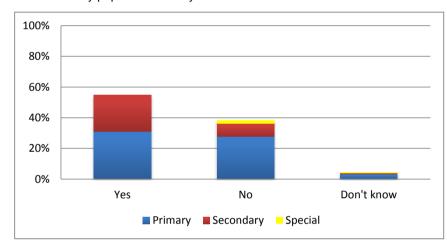


	Yes	No	Don't Know
Primary	60	11	39
Secondary	44	14	1
Special	2	1	1
Total	106	26	41

	Yes	No	Don't Know
Primary	34%	6%	22%
Secondary	25%	8%	1%
Special	1%	1%	1%
Total	60%	15%	23%

Q4 d) Should we lower the majority of IDACI rates (Income Deprivation Affecting Children Index) for eligible primary and secondary pupils so that they are in line with the NFF rates?

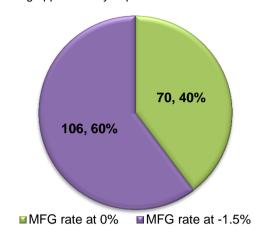
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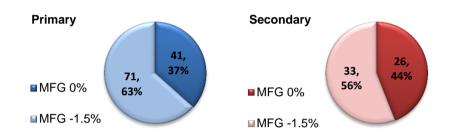


	Yes	No	Don't Know
Primary	55	49	6
Secondary	42	15	1
Special	0	4	1
Total	97	68	8

	Yes	No	Don't Know
Primary	31%	28%	3%
Secondary	24%	9%	1%
Special	0%	2%	1%
Total	55%	39%	5%

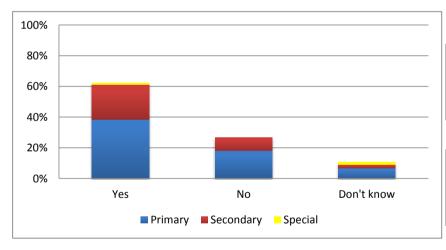
#### Q5. Please tell us which of the following approaches you prefer for the Minimum Funding Guarantee (MFG):





#### **New Factors**

#### Q6. Do you support the introduction of the sparsity factor into the Kent local funding formula from 1 April 2018?

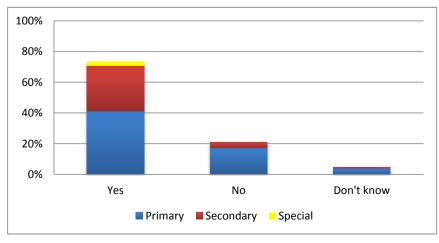


	Yes	No	Don't Know
Primary	68	32	12
Secondary	40	15	4
Special	2	0	3
Total	110	47	19

	Yes	No	Don't Know
Primary	39%	18%	7%
Secondary	23%	9%	2%
Special	1%	0%	2%
Total	63%	27%	11%

#### Q7. Should we introduce the Ever 6 Free School Meals (FSM) factor within our local formula?

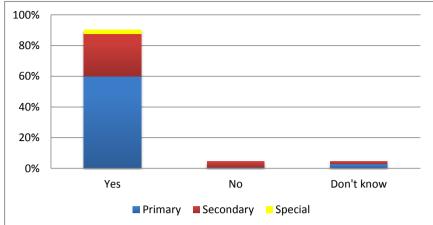
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	Yes	No	Don't Know
Primary	73	31	7
Secondary	52	6	1
Special	5	0	0
Total	130	37	8

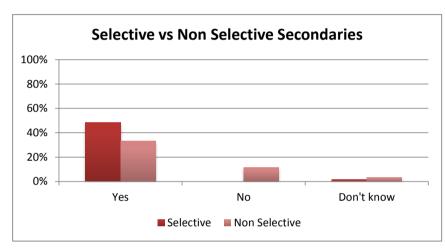
	Yes	No	Don't Know
Primary	41%	18%	4%
Secondary	30%	3%	1%
Special	3%	0%	0%
Total	74%	21%	5%

## Q8. Do you support the introduction of Minimum Funding Levels (MFLs) for Primary and Secondary schools?



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	Yes	No	Don't Know
Primary	106	1	5
Secondary	49	7	3
Special	5	0	0
Total	160	8	8

	Yes	No	Don't Know
Primary	60%	1%	3%
Secondary	28%	4%	2%
Special	3%	0%	0%
Total	91%	5%	5%



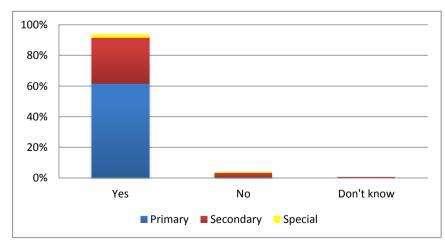
	Yes	No	Don't Know
Selective	29	0	1
Non-	20	7	2
Selective	20	/	
Total	49	7	3

	Yes	No	Don't Know
Primary	49%	0%	2%
Non-	34%	12%	3%
Selective	34%	1270	3%
Total	83%	12%	5%

## **Increase to Existing Funding Rates**

Q9 a) Should we look to increase the Primary Basic Entitlement rate by £7 per pupil (from £2,740 to £2,747) so that it is in line with the NFF rate?

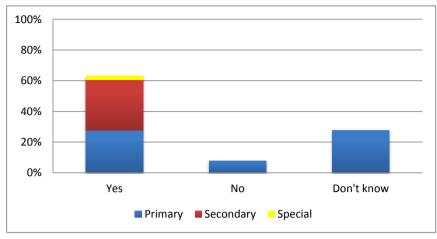
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	Yes	No	Don't Know
Primary	109	1	0
Secondary	53	5	1
Special	4	1	0
Total	166	7	1

	Yes	No	Don't Know
Primary	62%	1%	0%
Secondary	30%	3%	1%
Special	2%	1%	0%
Total	94%	4%	1%

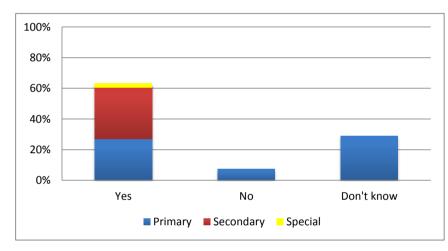
Q9 b) Should we look to increase the Key Stage 3 Basic Entitlement rate by £60 per pupil (from £3,803 to £3,863) so that it is in line with the NFF rate?



	Yes	No	Don't Know
Primary	49	14	49
Secondary	58	0	0
Special	5	0	0
Total	112	14	49

	Yes	No	Don't Know
Primary	28%	8%	28%
Secondary	33%	0%	0%
Special	3%	0%	0%
Total	64%	8%	28%

Q9 c) Should we look to increase the Key Stage 4 Basic Entitlement rate by £213 per pupil (from £4,173 to £4,386) so that it is in line with the NFF rate?

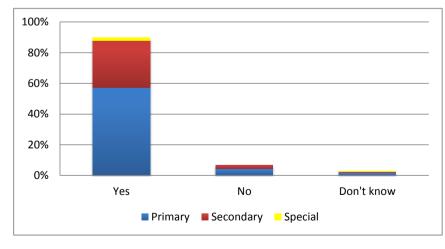


	Yes	No	Don't Know
Primary	48	13	51
Secondary	59	0	0
Special	5	0	0
Total	112	13	51

	Yes	No	Don't Know
Primary	27%	7%	29%
Secondary	34%	0%	0%
Special	3%	0%	0%
Total	64%	7%	29%

Q9 d) Should we look to increase the current eligibility for Free School Meals factor rate for eligible Primary pupils from £359 to £440 so that it is in line with the NFF rate?

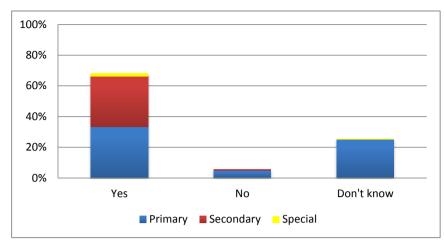
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	Yes	No	Don't Know
Primary	101	8	3
Secondary	54	4	1
Special	4	0	1
Total	159	12	5

	Yes	No	Don't Know
Primary	57%	5%	2%
Secondary	31%	2%	1%
Special	2%	0%	1%
Total	90%	7%	3%

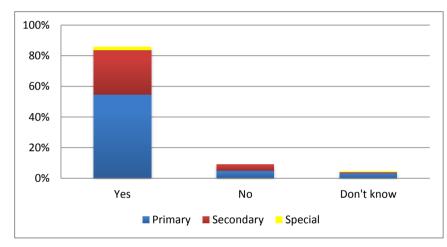
Q9 e) Should we look to increase the current eligibility for Free School Meals factor rate for eligible Secondary pupils from £334 to £440 so that it is in line with the NFF rate?



	Yes	No	Don't Know
Primary	59	9	44
Secondary	58	1	0
Special	4	0	1
Total	121	10	45

	Yes	No	Don't Know
Primary	34%	5%	25%
Secondary	33%	1%	0%
Special	2%	0%	1%
Total	69%	6%	26%

Q9 f) Should we look to increase the low prior attainment rate for eligible Primary pupils from £729 to £1,050, so that it is in line with the NFF rate?

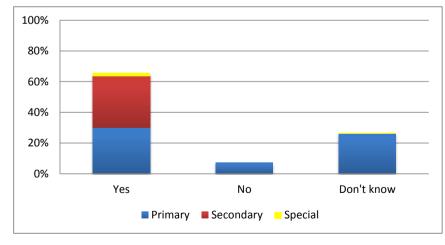


	Yes	No	Don't Know
Primary	97	9	6
Secondary	51	7	1
Special	4	0	1
Total	152	16	8

	Yes	No	Don't Know
Primary	55%	5%	3%
Secondary	29%	4%	1%
Special	2%	0%	1%
Total	86%	9%	5%

Q9 g) Should we look to increase the low prior attainment rate for eligible Secondary pupils from £863 to £1,550, so that it is in line with the NFF rate?

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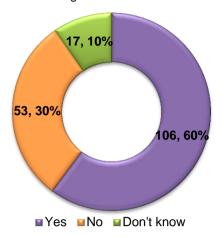


	Yes	No	Don't Know
Primary	53	13	46
Secondary	59	0	0
Special	4	0	1
Total	116	13	47

	Yes	No	Don't Know
Primary	30%	7%	26%
Secondary	34%	0%	0%
Special	2%	0%	1%
Total	66%	7%	27%

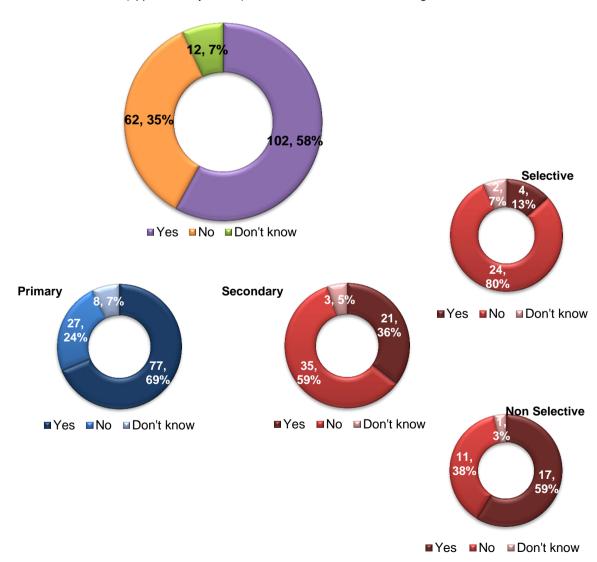
## **Pupil Growth**

Q10. Do you support the proposal to increase the amount of funding available for pupil growth budget by a further £2m for 2018-19 so that the current reorganisation funding rates can be sustained?



## Transfer of Funding From the Schools Block to the High Needs Block

Q11. Do you support the transfer of 0.5% (approximately £4.3m) from the Schools block to the High Needs block?



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## **Prioritisation**

Q12. Following on from the questions above respondents were asked to then rank their top 5 proposals.

Proposal	Total	Primary	Secondary
Introduce Minimum Funding Levels	1	3	3
Introduce the Ever 6 Free School Meals (FSM) factor	2	4	4
Transfer 0.5% to the High Needs block	3	1	14
Increase Primary Basic Entitlement rate by £7 per pupil	4	2	9
Set the Minimum Funding Guarantee (MFG) rate at -1.5%	5	6	6
Increase the low prior attainment rate from £729 to £1,050	6	5	13
Increase Key Stage 4 Basic Entitlement rate by £213 per pupil	7	15	1
Lower the lump sum from £120,000 to £110,000	8	8	10
Set the Minimum Funding Guarantee (MFG) rate at 0%	9	9	11
Increase Free School Meals factor rate from £359 to £440	10	7	17
Increase Key Stage 3 Basic Entitlement rate by £60 per pupil	11	19	2
Remove the LAC factor	12	10	8
Increase pupil growth budget by a further £2m	13	12	12
Increase the low prior attainment rate from £863 to £1,550	14	17	5
Lower the majority of IDACI rates	15	11	18
Introduce sparsity factor	16	13	16
Increase Free School Meals factor rate from £334 to £440	17	18	7
Lower the English as an Additional Language rate from £885 to £515	18	14	19
Lower the English as an Additional Language rate from £3,344 to £1,385	19	16	15

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