

**TO: EXECUTIVE MEMBER FOR CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE**  
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**NEW CAPITAL GRANT FUNDING FOR 2018-19**  
**SPECIAL PUPIL CAPITAL FUND**  
**Executive Director, People**

**Addendum to the Executive Member approval of New Capital Grant Funding for 2018 – 19 – Special Pupil Capital Fund**

In March 2017 the Department for Education announced £215m of capital funding through the SPCF. Local authorities can use this funding to make capital investments in provision for pupils with special educational needs and disabilities. This includes investing in new pupil places and improvements to facilities for pupils with education, health and care (EHC) plans in mainstream and special schools, nurseries, colleges and other provision.

Local authorities are also expected to consider how to invest capital and revenue in a joined-up way to get the most out of each project, and this grant funding can be combined with other capital funding, or pooled between a group of local authorities to develop provision, which can support a wider area.

Originally, 14 bids were received and considered. From these, four were successful in securing a proportion of the £250k that was available to Bracknell Forest. These included:

- Harmans Water: will receive £55,000 to develop existing nurture facilities at the school which have been previously recognised as good practice by Ofsted.
- Fox Hill: will receive £70,000 to develop their nurture based provision to support pupils across their social, emotional and mental health needs.
- Open Learning Centre: will receive £70,000 to work in partnership with Adult Social Care to develop their kitchen facilities so that young people aged 19 – 25 with complex needs can enhance their independence skills and gain experience that will lead to employment outcomes.
- Parent/Carer Forum in partnership with Adult Social Care: will receive £55,927 to set up a specialist unit for young people aged 19 – 25. This will be a multi-purpose Community Centre providing a range of high quality and cost effective services to people with a learning disability.

As the original bids received were devised to secure higher amounts, we will work with those successful in securing funding in the New Year to establish a revised delivery plan in light of the final allocations.