

ITEM PSB3

OXFORDSHIRE PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD - 27 SEPTEMBER 2010

AREA BASED GRANT

As reported at the last meeting, in June the Government announced in-year cuts to local authority grants including the Area Based Grant (ABG). The table below summarises the cuts and the full list of cuts is set out in **Annex 1a**.

ABG	Original allocation	Revised Allocation	% reduction for this "block"
DFE grants	£11.960M	£9.084M	24%
Home Office grants	£0.771M	£0.711M	8%
DfT grants	£1.145M	£0.840	27%
CLG grants	£0.320M	£0	100%

The county council agreed revised allocations of Area Based Grant at its extraordinary meeting on 27th July. The revised allocations are set out at **Annex 1b**.

Next Steps

It is unclear whether Area Based Grant will continue in its current form in the spending round this autumn although it is expected that specific grants (which includes ABG) will experience a reduction in the region of 40%.

It is expected that we will be able to report on the future of ABG at the next PSB meeting in November.

Recommendation

The PSB are asked to note the revised allocations of ABG as set out at Annex 1b.