

Devolved Formula Capital (DFC) for VA schools

DFC funded capital work covers smaller school projects aimed at addressing your own priorities. It can be used to improve buildings through repair and refurbishment, ICT, as well as Health and Safety and compliance. Where a school applies for SCA grant funding it is likely that the GDBE will ask the school for a contribution of DFC funding to support the overall costs of the SCA project. The DFC project should be a single project with a total cost of at least £2000 or £2400 inclusive of VAT and not a collection on unrelated individual projects. VAT cannot be reclaimed from DFC. As with SCA 90% of the project is covered by the DFC grant with the 10% balance made up of the governor's contribution.

Timelines

DFC allocations can be saved over a 3 year period. Unspent allocations that the school has been in receipt of for over 3 years may be withdrawn by the DfE. 2021/22 DFC allocations would be expected to be received by schools by May 2021. This 2021/22 allocations should be spent by March 2024.