Guidance on outcome agreement funding allocations

Overall budget for the academic year 2013-14

Teaching grants

The Main Teaching Grant for each institution is based on the agreed allocations of funded places and the prices for the groups the places have been allocated to. The prices for AY 2013-14 are:

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The teaching grant includes funding for the additional places that have been allocated for the first time for AY 2013-14, ie those for widening access, articulation and undergraduate skills for growth, and the additional taught postgraduate places. The teaching grant also includes the funding for the further allocations of additional places that were allocated for the first time before AY 2013-14, ie those for STEM, the University of the Highlands and Islands, Crichton, Community Education, British Sign Language and Regional Coherence. Full details of the funding for the additional places are set-out in annex A, which includes the sector totals and the breakdowns for each university.

Additional funded places for taught postgraduate provision linked to innovation centres have still to be allocated to the individual HEIs.

The funding for fee anomalies is claims based and will be allocated after we have received the claims from the HEIs.

Research and knowledge exchange

As in previous years, we have based the allocations of the Research Excellence Grant on the results of the most recent Research Assessment Exercise in 2008.

The Research Postgraduate Grant is allocated in proportion to research postgraduate enrolments in AY 2010-11 and AY 2011-12 weighted by teaching subject.
The Knowledge Exchange Grant provides each institution with a fixed allocation of £70,000.

**Strategic projects and on-going commitments**

Our strategic projects and on-going commitments include funding such as specialist institution grants, research pooling and knowledge exchange funding. The institutional breakdowns are summarised in annex A and broken down to individual projects in annex C. In addition, from this budget we allocate funds for sector wide projects and facilities, for example the Academic Network, the Quality Assurance Agency and the Research Excellence Framework.

The Council agreed funding for climate change with £15M being set aside for AY 2013-14. The final details of the funding for three projects is in the process of being agreed with the institutions concerned and therefore these allocations are not included in the individual OA annexes.

Capital equipment for all the innovation centres is still to be agreed and will be allocated once the panel has reviewed the 7 proposals submitted in response to the call for proposals.

Capital from revenue mainly includes SFC’s match for BIS research capital.

As in previous year we are continuing our support for Advanced Procurement for Universities and Colleges.

**Ring-fenced Grants**

The Scottish Government funds some additional places for medicine, dentistry, initial teacher education and, nursing and midwifery pre-registration to obtain additional students studying for these professions. The additional funding for these places is shown in annex A.

The Scottish Government is continuing to provide funding for the Edinburgh Medical School.

**Ring-fenced Capital Grants**

The SFC capital maintenance funding for FY 2013-14 is £16 million, with the funding being allocated in proportion to each university’s share of the Main Teaching Grant for 2013-14.

The UK Department for Business, Innovation and Skills (BIS) provides a research capital allocation that is contingent upon the SFC distributing it to Scottish universities by reference to the research income each institution receives from Research Councils, and providing matched funding. For FY 2013-14 BIS is providing
research capital funding of £10.3 million. From the revenue funding set aside, the SFC is therefore also providing matched funding of £10.3 million, bringing the total to £20.7 million for FY 2012-13. Funding has been allocated with a minimum threshold of £100,000 per eligible institution.