

## **FINAL OPENING 2026-27 AGE WEIGHTED PUPIL UNIT (AWPU) CASH VALUES BY FUNDING STREAM**

The Minister has allocated additional funding of **£8m** to schools through the 2026-27 Common Funding Formula (CFF). This brings the Final Opening CFF to **£1,791m**.

When compared to the 2025-26 Final Opening CFF, the Minister has allocated an additional 2.6% of funding to schools. This increase in funding has resulted in an increase to the AWPU cash value of £126.01 for the Nursery & Primary funding stream and £86.15 for the Post-primary funding stream.

Details of the CFF and AWPU cash values for both funding streams are set out in the tables below:

| <b>Nursery and Primary</b> | <b>Final Opening<br/>2025-26 CFF</b> | <b>Final Opening<br/>2026-27 CFF</b> | <b>Variance</b> |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|
|                            | <b>£</b>                             | <b>£</b>                             | <b>£</b>        |
| <b>CFF</b>                 | 771,678,167                          | 791,870,659                          | 20,192,492      |
| <b>AWPU Cash Value</b>     | 3,094.11                             | 3,220.12                             | 126.01          |

| <b>Post-primary</b>    | <b>Final Opening<br/>2025-26 CFF</b> | <b>Final Opening<br/>2026-27 CFF</b> | <b>Variance</b> |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|
|                        | <b>£</b>                             | <b>£</b>                             | <b>£</b>        |
| <b>CFF</b>             | 973,650,833                          | 999,128,341                          | 25,477,508      |
| <b>AWPU Cash Value</b> | 3,112.85                             | 3,199.00                             | 86.15           |