## CCMS BUSINESS PLAN April 2017 to March 2018

## 1. Education priority: Improving the Wellbeing of Children and Young People

Number	COMMITMENTS/ACTIONS	KEY SUCCESS INDICATOR	Links to which PfG Outcome(s) if
			any
1.1	Throughout 2017/2018 CCMS in		3
	collaboration with DE, EA and other children's authorities (as defined by the	By a date specified by DE, a report provided to DE detailing evidence that this target has been achieved and information	3
	Children's Services Co-operation Act	on the impact of this action on the well-being of children and	5
	2015 (CSCA) will work to shape, where possible, educational policies in	young people.	11
	conjunction with other Government	CCMS policies and advice will reflect the Children Services	14
	Departments, their Non-Departmental Public Bodies, community and	Cooperation Act (2015).	14
	voluntary providers and employers,		14
	with a view to improving the well-being of children and young people as		[Not sure what PfG outcome
	outlined in the CSCA .		numbers are aligning to
	CCMS will support school leadership		throughout this draft Business
	and Boards of Governors to ensure that	100% OF CCMS schools will have safeguarding arrangements in place in line with DE guidance.	Plan]
	their statutory duties in relation to the	place in line with DE guidance.	[point above not addressed, but
	safeguarding and promoting the welfare of pupils at CM schools are		can be revisited after PfG
	effectively discharged. Staff from the		publication]
	CCMS Education Directorate will		
	support schools in evaluating their		
	arrangements for safeguarding.		
	CCMS will support schools in the	Most of (75%) CM schools will have policies and procedures in	
	development and implementation of	place to ensure effective inclusion.	

effective Inclusion policies.	

2. Edu Number	cation Priority: Raising Standards for All  COMMITMENTS/ACTIONS	KEY SUCCESS INDICATOR	Links to which PfG Outcome(s) if
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2.1	Throughout 2017/18 in line with CCMS's statutory responsibility to promote the effective management and control of CM schools by the Board of Governors, to provide advice and guidance to all CM schools in partnership with the Education Authority to have in place School Development Plans that meet statutory requirements.	100% of CM schools will have an ongoing, robust school development process in place.  100% of CM schools will submit a compliant school development plan to CCMS/EA.  CM school leaders and Boards of Governors supported to ensure that their statutory duties in relation to the safeguarding and promotion of welfare of pupils are effectively discharged.	
	CCMS will support school leadership and Boards of Governors to ensure a rigorous process of school development planning, including the setting of appropriately challenging targets, in order to raise standards	Most of (75%) of CM schools will meet or exceed the targets	
	CCMS will monitor the GCSE and A level outcomes in all CM post-primary schools.	Achievements and standards in CM schools will continue to improve. (The average 5 A*- C grade 2015 was 51 % across all CM non selective schools.)	
	CCMS will monitor the outcomes for all children in CM post-primary schools across a range of measures including the performance of boys and pupils on FSM.	The achievements and standards of all children will improve in line with the targets set by the individual schools.  There will be a reduction in the gender gap (currently 10%) and children with FSM continue to sustain improvement and close the	

		gap with non FSM pupils.(currently 12%)	
2.2	Every School a Good School Throughout 2017/18, in collaboration with Boards of Governors and the Education Authority, to ensure: that all Catholic Maintained (CM) schools that are required to do so have an agreed action plan in place to address areas for improvement identified by ETI within the required timescales. Staff from the CCMS Education Directorate will work with school leadership and governors to monitor the out workings of the action plans and ensure appropriate pace and challenge is applied to the school improvement process.  Throughout 2017/18 in collaboration with relevant Boards of Governors and the Education Authority, in line with agreed protocols, CCMS staff will monitor the quality of post inspection action plans and will work with school leadership and governors to monitor the out workings of the action plans and ensure appropriate pace and challenge is applied to the school improvement process	100% of CM schools, awarded a Grade 3 or below in an ETI inspection will provide clear evidence of school improvement indicated by an improved outcome in a Follow Up inspection.  100% of CM schools win the Formal Intervention Process (FIP) will exit the process within the allotted timescale.  With support from EA, schools assisted to address all safeguarding issues identified in ETI inspection reports.	3 5 14 3 8 10 11 14

2.4	Key Stage 4 – Entitlement Framework	By Sept 2017, all pupils should have access to a broad and	3
	Working towards September 2017, and	balanced curriculum that meets the EF,	
	working with the Education Authority,		6
	to ensure compliance with statutory		11
	requirements for the Entitlement		11
	Framework in all CM post-primary		14
	schools to provide a broad, balanced,		
	and economically relevant curriculum		
	that can meet the needs and aspirations		
	of all pupils		
	CCMS to review the KS4 and post-16		
	curriculum offer for all CM schools.		
	CCMS to take forward discussions with		
	the leadership and Boards of Governors	Priority action plans will be in place to address the non-	
	of those schools who are in breach of	compliance.	
	the EF.		
	CCMS to work with schools and EA to		
	develop solutions, including through	Draft 2018/19 Area Planning Action Plan to be informed by EF	
	ALCs and Area Planning processes to	compliance data.	
	ensure all pupils have access to the EF.		
2.5	Early Years		3
	Throughout 2017/18:	Most (75%) of CM primary and nursery schools have policies and	
	Support the implementation by the EA	provision in place which reflects Getting Ready to Learn.	8
	of a regional approach to the delivery of		
	pre-school provision; and	CCMS represented on the EA's Pre-school Education group (PEAG)	8
	Support the implementation of the	and EITP Steering Group for Workstream 1 (and relevant sub-	14
	Getting Ready to Learn element of the	groups).	
	Early Intervention Transformation Programme (EITP) and representation		
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	the EITP Steering Group for Work eam 1 and Early Years Task Group.		14
Dire scho that high	MS staff from the Education ectorate will provide support for ools (nursery and primary) to ensure t the early years provision is of a h quality and reflects the key ategies.	Most (75%) of CM schools will provide high quality early years provision.	
the in Cl scho	MS will monitor the effectiveness of early intervention strategies in place CM schools through discussions with ool leadership and providing support schools in measuring the impact of erventions.	Most (75%) of CM schools will deploy a range of effective early intervention strategies which improve the outcomes for children in pre-school and Foundation Stage.	
nurs nurs cont earl	MS will consult with the principals of sery schools and schools with sery units and hold an annual aference to address current issues in ly years provision identified by the asultation.	Annual conference on early years held, with focus on current issues.	

## 3. Education Priority: Closing the Performance Gap, Increasing Access and Equality

Number	Commitment/Action	Key Success Indicator	Links to which PfG Outcome(s) if
			any
3.1	Extended Schools	Support provided to CM schools, the Education Authority and	3
	Throughout 2017/18, to ensure that Extended Schools' activities in CM	community organisations in planning and delivering Extended Schools activities, which are fully effective in supporting	8
	schools are sufficiently structured and appropriately targeted to focus on	improvements in pupil outcomes and other outcomes consistent with Community Plans, ensuring that these activities are linked	8
	raising standards and involving parents and community in the life of the school.	appropriately to priorities and targets as set out in School Development Plans for CM schools.	14
3.2	Full Service Community Network Throughout 2017/18, to ensure that the allocated funding is used to support measures in accordance with the agreed 2017/18 FSCN Action Plan to address the needs of children (including raising standards), families and local community in the areas	The agreed 2017-18 FSCN Action Plan successfully implemented.  (Pending confirmation of funding allocation)	3 3 8 8 14
	served by the West Belfast Partnership Board and Upper Springfield Development Trust.		14

3.3 Achieving Belfast and Achieving Derry - Bright Futures Throughout 2017/18, provide effective support for the implementation of these programmes.	Achieving Belfast and Achieving Derry – Bright Futures programmes successfully implemented in relevant CM schools.	3 8 8 14 14
Address Educational Underachievement Throughout 2017/18 in collaboration with Principals, Boards of Governors and the Education Authority continue to implement actions to ensure traction in delivering improvements in CM schools in outcomes at GCSE-level particularly in relation to the attainment of pupils entitled to free school meals and Looked After Children (LAC).	For FSME pupils and LAC, CCMS will use performance of all schools in the 2015/2016 academic year as a benchmark to monitor performance outcomes for all schools in the 2016/2017 academic year and for the sector as a whole.  CCMS will engage in discussions with those schools which are under-performing against a) the previous year's academic outcomes, b) the Northern Ireland average for similar schools, c) targets for performance as set in the school's development plan and d) other measure impacting on pupil outcomes.	3 3 5 8 8 9 10 14 14

2.5	Address Edward Chadanada's service	I was a second of I/C2 in CNA mineral and it is a little of I/C2	-
3.5	At Primary level throughout 2017/19 in	Improved outcomes at end of KS2 in CM primary schools including	5
	At Primary level throughout 2017/18 in	outcomes for FSME pupils and LAC.	3
	collaboration with Principals, Boards of	As part of the school development plan, targets set by schools	
	Governors and the Education Authority	tofor improvement the use of their own internal data.	14
	to ensure that schools track pupil	tolor improvement the ase of their own internal data.	
	progress in order to evidence	CCMS officers and associates will carry out an analysis of the	14
	appropriate pupil outcomes at the end	achievement of targets in literacy and numeracy set by schools in	
	of Key Stage 2 (KS2).	their school development plan and engage in discussions with	
		schools on those outcomes.	
3.6	Area Planning	Effective participation in the Area Planning Steering Group,	3
(a)	Create a network of sustainable schools through a strategic area	Working Group, and Local Area Planning Groups.	5
(ω)	planning approach, alongside the	Secure and allocate sustainable and increased resources through	3
	Education Authority and other	negotiation with DE on baseline allocation to support operational	14
	education sectors, in line with the	delivery of Area Planning - in line with statutory duties as a	
	regional strategy and Departmental	planning authority and Departmental expectations to increase the	14
	policy framework.	pace of delivery - and support strategic Area Planning.	
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		Work collaboratively through the Area Planning Governance	
		Structures with the EA and others to produce an Annual Action	
		Plan for 18/19 by February 2018.	
		Complete a various of Auga Planning gavernance value and	
		Complete a review of Area Planning governance roles and	
		responsibilities (within catholic maintained provision) in	
		conjunction with the Catholic Schools Trustee Service (CSTS) and	
		the Northern Ireland Commission for Catholic Education (NICCE).	
		Initiate a review of the strategic, area-based outcomes for Catholic	
		maintained provision by January 2018.	

(b)	Deliver 2017/18 Annual Action Plan which outline steps to be taken to address sustainability issues in schools and, where appropriate, to bring forward Development Proposals, supported by quality Cases for Change, in line with DE Development Proposal (DP) and Area Planning Guidance.	80% of CCMS proposals within the 17/18 Annual Action Plan on target.	3 5 11
3.6 (c)	Provide timely and quality Cases for Change or input to DPs as requested by the DE.	Review CfC template by September 2017 in light of Departmental guidance and lessons learned.  Respond as required in a timely way to requests from DE.  Ensure all Cases for Change are quality assured against DP Guidance before submission to DE.	<ul><li>3</li><li>5</li><li>11</li><li>14</li></ul>
3.7	Community Planning Effectively fulfil duties as statutory Community Planning partner to the 11 Council Area based Community Plans.	Contribute to the development and delivery of Community Plans in collaboration with the Education Authority and the Department of Education.  Encourage active participation of schools in contributing to and benefiting from specific outcomes and actions of Community Plans.  Liaise as appropriate with District Councils and engage in action planning phase with respect to Community Plans and provide effective representation on Community Planning fora.	3 5 11 14 14

3.8	Integrated and Irish Medium Provision To support DE in fulfilling its statutory duties to encourage and facilitate the development of Integrated and Irish medium education.	By31 March 2018 a date to be notified by the Department provide a summary report, for each duty, of key activities during the business year. to meet this target  Meet regularly with Comhairle na Gaelscolaiochta and NICIE in order to inform area planning and provide support to proposals currently in progress.	<ul><li>5</li><li>9</li><li>14</li></ul>
3.9	Special Educational Needs Throughout 2017/18 support Boards of Governors (BoG) in fulfilling their statutory duties in relation to special educational needs (SEN) provision.	Throughout 2017/18, support provided to CM schools in fulfilling their statutory duties in relation to meeting the special educational needs of pupils attending their school, including the duty to have regard to the Code of Practice on SEN, in regard to assessment and provision at school based stages of the Code.  Throughout 2017/18, through effective engagement with BOGs, their policies in relation to the provision of education for children with SEN have been kept under review.  Throughout 2017/18, through effective engagement with BOGs in collaboration with the EA, they are aware of the (not yet commenced) new duties on BOGs, as outlined in the SEND Act (NI) 2016.	5 14

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4.1	Performance Review & Staff		
(a)	Development  To evaluate the operational effectiveness of the PRSD in all CCMS schools in the 2017/18 school year	Quality Assurance undertaken of all school documentation returned from External Advisors and Governor Reviewers for opt-out schools.  Quantitative and qualitative analysis of PRSD undertaken in all CCMS schools including number completed, objectives agreed, number of External Advisors allocated schools and number of opt out schools.	11 14
4.1	To assess DDCD abianting and Enternal	A representative sample of school Governors . completed a user satisfaction survey.	
4.1 (b)	To ensure PRSD objectives and External Advisors are integral to school improvement measures in CCMS schools.	PRSD (Coordinator and External Advisors) integral to the delivery of school improvement as part of multidisciplinary CCMS team (Including Human Resources and Education) by using and sharing information available from all CCMS Directorates to better inform External Advisors	11 14
		when advising Principals and Governor Reviewers on suitable and challenging PRSD objectives.	

4.1 (c)	To ensure that the PRSD serves as a vehicle through which important policy initiatives are disseminated through schools.	PRSD objectives reflect CCMS Business Plan objectives particularly Raising Standards, Developing the Workforce and Delivering High Quality Education Services.	11 14
4.2	Recruitment and Selection		
(a)	By 31 August complete a pilot exercise to appoint 5 / 6 school leaders using a revised draft competence based scheme for the appointment of Principals and Vice Principals.	A test group of six schools selected in which to run a pilot scheme.	11 14
	Recruit, train and accredit pilot Governors, a panel of Recruitment Advisers (not Assessors) and a new panel of independent chairs.	The governors, advisers, chairs and officers that will be involved in the pilot are trained by 30 April 2017.	
	Develop and disseminate a revised applicant information pack by 30 April 2017.	Fully revised applicant information pack developed and disseminated.	
	Evaluate and amend the draft scheme using the lessons from the pilot exercise.	Revised competence based appointments scheme ready for launch in March 2018.	
4.2 (b)	Develop the use of online recruitment portal to facilitate the streamlining of administration within CCMS.	CCMS administers all recruitment, selection and employment contract activity through a central resource by 30 June 2017.	11 14
	Utilise the online recruitment resource to develop the concept of reusable applicant / user profiles.	Applicants will be able to develop their own profiles and notification preferences by 31 March 2018.	

4.3	Teacher Sickness absence:		
(a)	Throughout 2017/18 reduce teacher sickness absence in the Catholic maintained sector by reducing to an average of 5 days per annum.	Analysis and consideration of Teacher sickness absence figures.  2016/17 baseline data will be known in May/June.	11 14
4.3	CCMS to identify 20 schools in each phase with consistently higher absence rates	Schools identified by end of June 2017	11
(b)	and to run targeted workshops on Attendance Management by September 2017.	Workshops held by end September2017	14
4.3	CCMS to rollout focus management strategies for each teacher who has been	Teachers identified by 30 June 2017.	11
(c)	absent for periods exceeding 20 days in each of the previous three years by June 2017 to have liaised with each teacher's school and agreed management action.	Implementation of procedure monitored for effectiveness from July 2017 to 31 March 2018	14
4.3	CCMS to consider whether there is opportunity to avail of EA OH referral	Decision as to the way forward agreed through the finance and Personnel Committee by	11
(d)	providers or whether it should tender for new service providers capable of providing a robust OH assessment by September 2017	September 2017.	14

4.4	Management of the Teacher Strategic		
	Cost Base Reduction Programme :		
	Throughout 2017/18 provide advice on the application and management of the teacher voluntary severance scheme:  a) provide appropriate and timely advice to schools, Education Authority and DE on the management of school budgets and deployment of staff; b) work with DE, other employers, trade unions and schools in the development and application of procedures and apply a robust due diligence process to applications prior to submission to the Department; and	Schools will show evidence of having addressed budgetary challenges in a manner which reflects realistic curricular need, due diligence in decision making, and, compliance with DE accounting procedures.  The number of compulsory redundancies will have been kept to an absolute minimum through redeployment.  All appropriate submission deadlines at both EA and DE levels will have been met.  All Assurance Statements will have been thoroughly scrutinised and tested.	11 14
	c) work with teachers, schools, all other employers and Trade Unions on the teacher redeployment		
	scheme.		

4.5	Industrial Action: Maintain a stable and effective working environment through good industrial relations, dialogue and partnership working with employees, Trade Unions and other sectoral bodies	A revised negotiating and industrial relations framework for TNC reviewed and implemented in partnership with relevant stakeholders, TU and other sectoral representatives by a date agreed with NITC.	11 14
4.6	Flexible Deployment of Teachers:  Develop a new policy aimed at the resolution of welfare, relationships, developmental needs to allow for the flexible deployment of teachers across the catholic maintained sector.	Draft policy is developed and consulted upon by 30 September 2017.  Committee and Council approval by 31  December 2017.  Policy disseminated and operational by 31  January 2018.	11 14

4.7	Teaching Principals:		
	Develop a new policy aimed at reducing the numbers of Teaching Principals	Draft policy is developed and consulted upon by 30 September 2017.	11
	within the Catholic maintained sector.	Committee and Council approval by 31 December 2017.	14
		Policy disseminated and operational by 31 January 2018.	
		The numbers of Teaching Principal posts being advertised and filled will have dropped by 31 March 2018.	

## 4.8 **Learning Leaders** To support DE in the implementation of Most of (75%) of CM schools will be involved in a Learning Leaders Strategy through school improvement cluster. supporting schools to develop and disseminate good practice internally and through the work of school 100% of newly appointed principals will have a improvement clusters and by building regular support visit? (At least twice per term) professional learning communities from the Education Advisor linked to their through clustering and peer support for school. schools in the Formal Intervention Process. The leaders in all schools entering FIP in 2017/18 To build leadership capacity through regular contact for new principals with will have a peer mentor in place. CCMS multidiscipline teams. To engage regularly with school Termly principal meetings will be based on leadership through termly principal consultation on key issues and will have 60% or meetings and consultation on key higher attendance from the target group. issues. The profile of the Learning Leaders Strategy will be raised with most school leadership teams, cluster leaders and all involved in school improvement and CPD in the CM sector.

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			any
5.1	Shared Education	By a date to be notified by the Department, provide a summary	5
	To encourage and facilitate shared	report of the extent to which CCMS has exercised its power to	9
	education, as defined in the Shared Education (Northern Ireland) Act 2016.	encourage and facilitate shared education.	
	Education (Northern Ireland) Act 2016.	Identify and collaboratively consider opportunities for shared	14
		education solutions as part of the Area Planning process.	
5.2	Shared Education/Shared Campus	Effective CCMS SRO representation appointed to support and	3
	Arrangements Throughout 2017/18 to actively participate with the Education Authority and other education sectors in delivering approved Shared Campus	collaborate with the Education Authority (EA) as joint Senior	
		Responsible Owner in leading the work of the T:BUC Shared	9
		Education Campus (SEC) projects.	5
		Draiget Deards actablished to deliver approved Chared	
	arrangements and shared education	Project Boards established to deliver approved Shared	14
	initiatives	Campus/education facilities.	11
		In collaboration with the EA, projects effectively managed and	
		progressed including, feasibility studies, business cases,	14
		Memoranda of Agreement and Campus Operating Agreements as	
		approved by the Project Boards for T:BUC SEC projects.	
		CCMS Associates to participate in and support the work	
		programmes of the various Project Teams established to support	
		the SEC Project Boards.Participate in and support the work	
		programmes of the various project work streams and project	
		boards established to deliver the Strule Shared Education campus.	

5.3	Major Capital Works  Continue to support the delivery of the new project board model for the delivery of approved major capital works.	Project Boards are established and in operation in line with DE and Central Procurement Directorate (CPD) procedures and guidance for Capital projects by end September 2017.  Work with EA to formalise arrangements for project management, support and reporting.	3 11 14 14
5.4	School Enhancement Projects:  Continue to support schools to access and deliver SEPs in line with agreed processes, criteria and deadlines.	All projects progressing in alignment with the appropriate agreed programme for the project.  Agreed arrangements in place with DE and EA to address schools currently excluded due to gateway check identifying spare capacity.	3 9 9 14 14
5.5	Minor Works Continue to support schools to access Minor works in line with agreed processes, criteria and deadlines.	Evaluation of current procedures and processes in conjunction with DE & and EA by December 2017.  All Minor works bids submitted in line with deadlines and criteria set by DE.	3 14 14

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6.1	Budget Allocations In 2017/18 plan for the containment of expenditure within budgetary limits with an under-spend of not more than 1%.	Budget contained with any under-spend within the 1% limit.  *This is conditional on the budget allocation to CCMS for 2017/18*	14
6.2	Accurate and Timely Accounts To submit to DE and the Comptroller and Auditor General (C&AG) draft 2016/17 accounts in accordance with the Accounts Direction and Whole of Government Accounts (WGA) returns by the required date, both prepared to a high standard that does not subsequently result in qualification by the C&AG for reasons that are considered to within the control of the Chief Executive Officer.	Draft accounts submitted to DE by the Account Direction date; WGA returns made by the required date; and final accounts are unqualified.	11
6.3 (a)	Prompt payment Throughout 2017/18, ensure that 97% of all non-disputed invoices are paid within 30 days of terms date.	97% of all non-disputed invoices paid within 30 days of terms date.	14
6.3 (b)	Throughout 2017/18, maximise the payment of all non-disputed invoices within 10 working days.	Percentage of all non-disputed invoices paid within 10 working days of invoice date.	14

6.4	Cash Management	Monthly drawdown of cash is within 5% of the monthly forecast	
(a)	Throughout 2017/18, to ensure that	requirement.	
	monthly drawdown of cash is within 5%		14
	of the monthly forecast requirement.		
6.4	To provide a forecast of the 2017/18 cash	Annual cash drawdown does not exceed the limit set at Spring	
	requirement for the Main Estimates and	Supplementary Estimates.	
(b)	ensure the total annual cash drawdown		14
	does not exceed the limit subsequently		
	agreed at Spring Supplementary		
	Estimates.		
6.5	Compliance	All business cases consultancy and procurement are fully compliant	
	In 2017/18 full compliance with all required	with requirements of relevant guidance and have appropriate	
	procedures and approval requirement in	approvals within prescribed timelines and delegated authority.	14
	relation to the delegated limits as set out in		
	the Financial Memorandum, Business		
	Cases, Economic Appraisals, Post Project		
	Evaluations, Consultancy and Procurement,		
	including the Northern Ireland Guide to		
	Expenditure, Appraisal and Evaluation		
	(NIGEAE), Department of Finance (DoF)		
	guidance, Central Procurement		
	Directorate's (CPD) Guidance notes and		
	guidance issued by DE.		

6.6	Ensure effective governance through full compliance with all required procedures in the Management Statement and related governance guidance issued by DE	<ul> <li>End-year and mid-year Governance Statements submitted to DE by the required dates;</li> <li>All new Board members have received the required corporate governance training within 6 months of their appointment;</li> <li>Annual Board Skills Audit and Effectiveness Review completed.</li> </ul>	14
6.7	Public Sector Pay Policy Throughout 2017/18 ensure that the pay remits align fully with pay policy thresholds as detailed in relevant DoF guidance.	No breaches of the Public Sector Pay Policy.	14
6.8	Education Administration Throughout 2017/18 support the Education Authority where appropriate in the development of regionalised services and harmonized processes and procedures	Development of, and agreement with the EA and CCMS Council on and required Service Level Agreements by 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2017.	14
6.9	Review of CCMS:		
(a)	Implement any agreed restructuring of CCMS as a result of the external review, including the appointment and induction of all new staff as appropriate.	New organisational structure in place and fully operational by 31 <sup>st</sup> August 2017.	14

6.9	Review of CCMS:		
(b)	Provide the financial oversight and the support necessary to deliver the relocation of CCMS offices.	All office moves are finalised as soon as possible into the new financial year.	14
6.10	CCMS Staff Absence Rate		
	By March 2018, review baseline absence rate figures and agree a target to reduce CCMS staff sickness absence, if appropriate.	Absence rates for the organisation calculated during the year using an agreed methodology. Baseline figures for CCMS staff absence in the 2017/18 year established and reported to DE. Target reduction for 2018/19 agreed with DE, if appropriate.	