EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations revoke and replace the Schools Forums (England) Regulations 2002 and the Regulations which amended those Regulations.

Regulations 3 to 8 provide for the constitution of a schools forum in every local authority in England, including the election of schools members, the election or selection of Academies members and the appointment of non-schools members to the schools forum, their meetings and proceedings. The requirements to elect or select Academies members and to appoint non-schools members are new.

Regulations 9 to 11 require the authority to consult their schools forum before entering into certain types of contract and annually in relation to a range of financial issues and the governing bodies of schools maintained by them to be informed of any such consultation.

Regulations 12 and 13 require the authority to pay the expenses of their schools forum out of the schools budget and the reasonable expenses of its members.

A full regulatory impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no impact on the private or voluntary sectors is foreseen.