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#### Strategic School Improvement Fund Round 2 and 3 Updates

The Local Partnership Meetings (LPM), incorporating the SRIB for the 4 sub regions have met over the last couple of weeks to review applications for SSIF Round 2 and consider other regional priorities including recruitment challenges and communications..

The LPM would like to extend their early thanks as the SSIF process continues to all those who have either submitted an application or are part of the project planning and delivery. Final decisions on application awards will be made soon into the new year.

Unfortunately, we are yet to receive formal confirmation as to the timeline of the notification of Round 2 applications and the launch of Round 3.

It became clear throughout the discussions and review of Round 2 applications that there are a few areas we need to remind ourselves on as we start our planning for Round 3.

- **Collaboration:** The strongest applications are collaborative applications that show partnership working/discussion across a range of providers such Teaching Schools, Local Authorities, MAT's and external partners.
- **Talk to your LPM Representative:** LPM Representatives can help provide context and background to the identified priorities. To ensure that applications are well matched to these priorities it is important to discuss the thinking with your representative as early on into the process as possible. **Please contact [Ellen.Lee@sdsa.net](mailto:Ellen.Lee@sdsa.net) for details of your representative.** Your representative will also have the eligible schools list once it has been released. Please contact them directly for this information. The DfE and TSC are currently working on a sub-regional basis to ensure the partnership boards have a voice of Teaching Schools and MAT's fully represented across the entire region.
- **Discuss your applications within your local network groups:** Ensure that local applications complement each other and address as many of the identified priorities as possible.
- **Communicate with your local network of schools:** Although it is a requirement that applicants must have discussed the intended project with their target schools, it is equally as important that all schools are aware of the process of SSIF, what it means and how they might get involved. Please share updates on process and what this might entail, with schools.
- **Key SSIF Road Show messages:**
  - Start with the need not the solution

- Be specific in the need you are trying to address, although ambitious applications are welcomed, it is important to be clear about the work that will take place and the outcomes that will be achieved.
- Refer to evidence-based practice

### **The Humber Network/Local Hub – Expression of Interest for Chair of Group and Local Representative**

Please find attached details of an opportunity to Express an Interest in the role of Chair and Local Representative for the Humber Local Hub.

This opportunity is open to Teaching Schools within the Humber Local Hub (East Riding, Hull, North Lincolnshire, North East Lincolnshire and York,).

Expressions of interest need to be returned to [Ellen.Lee@sdsa.net](mailto:Ellen.Lee@sdsa.net) by Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November.

Please contact Regional Strategic Coordinator Pat Dubas [Patdubas@hotmail.com](mailto:Patdubas@hotmail.com) if you have any questions.

### **South Yorkshire Teaching School Network meeting**

South Yorkshire TSA Meeting - Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> at 10am – 12noon at ‘Learn Sheffield’

Please contact Regional Strategic Coordinator Pat Dubas [Patdubas@hotmail.com](mailto:Patdubas@hotmail.com) if you have any questions or are unable to attend.

### **Regional opportunities**

Please [click here](#) to visit the portal to view the latest regional opportunities.

All the best,  
Ellen Lee

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