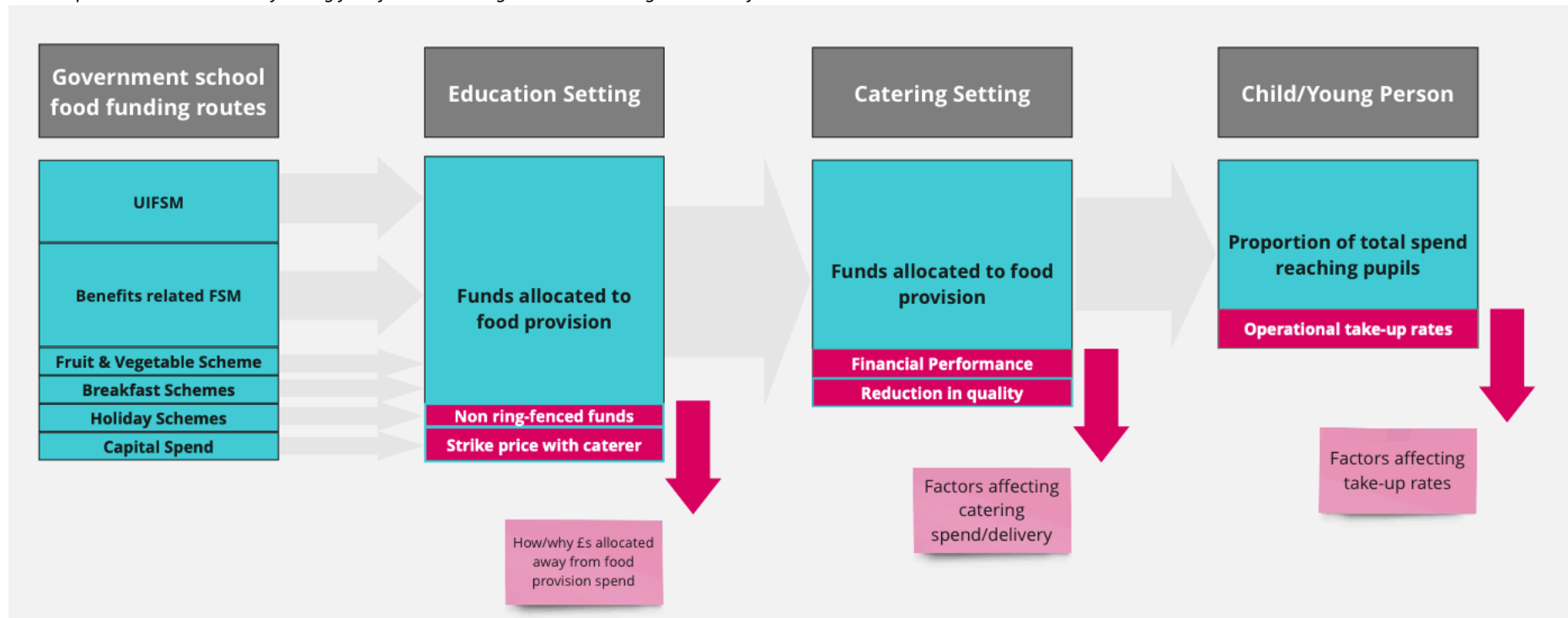# School Food Mapping: A Policy and Funding Review

- This document sets out the high-level research questions in order to collect data and information pertinent to the project scope.
- We seek to produce a Landscape Map for each school food intervention.
- Working Group members are asked to provide quantitative or qualitative data or other reference sources to answer the questions below.
- Please reference previously published reference sources which you think will be useful
- We will respect confidentiality of any data sets.
- It is likely that obtaining national data sets will be challenging in some interventions. We will want to use local data sets, both as examples (recognising confidentiality) and to help work up national picture.

Landscape Map Template
This template demonstrates the funding flow from national government through to actual food consumed

Overall research questions:

- What legislation and government funding is in place for school food interventions?
- How effective are these interventions (individually and collectively) in ensuring that funding flows are reaching pupils?

Detailed questions:

For each intervention, consider annual data for the most recent academic year available.

- What school food legislation and government funding streams exist in each of the home nations and at each stage (primary, secondary and further education)? To include:
    - School meal provision (universal infant free school meals, benefits related free school meals etc.)
    - Breakfast schemes
    - Holiday schemes
    - Fruit and vegetable scheme
    - Capital spend (including Healthy Pupils Capital Fund)
- What are the delivery mechanisms for each funding stream? i.e. how does the funding flow from central government/devolved administrations to food eaten by pupils?

For each funding stream:

- What is the total number and percentage of pupils who are eligible?
- What is the total number and percentage of pupils who are eligible but not registered (if relevant)?
- What are the recorded take-up rates?
- What are the operational take-up rates?
- What is the total spend allocated by government?
- How is funding distributed? To which organisations? What are the draw-down processes?
- What reporting and accountability mechanisms, if any, are associated with funding allocations?
- Is the funding restricted at any/each stage of the distribution flow? How, if at all, is this spending monitored?

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