

MINUTES OF MEETING of the EDUCATION, SPORT AND LEISURE COMMITTEE held within the Council Chamber, Patons Building, Kilncraigs, Alloa, FK10 1EB, on THURSDAY 11 JUNE 2015 at 10.00 am.

PRESENT

Councillor Ellen Forson, Convenor (In the Chair) Councillor Walter McAdam MBE Councillor Alastair Campbell Councillor Irene Hamilton Councillor George Matchett, QPM Councillor Bobby McGill Councillor Les Sharp Councillor Jim Stalker

Father Michael Freyne, Appointed Member (Roman Catholic Church)

IN ATTENDANCE

David Leng, Head of Education Sharon Johnston, Assistant Head of Education Kevin Kelman, Assistant Head of Education Alan Milliken, Assistant Head of Education Fiona MacDonald, Service Manager Carolyne McDaid, Acting Quality Improvement Officer Helen Finch, Headteacher, Sunnyside Primary School (Item 6) Ian Fraser, Strategic Policy Manager Bill Miller, Service Manager Janice G McCrum, Solicitor, Legal Services (Clerk to the Committee)

The Convenor welcomed Sophie Kettrick who is currently doing work experience.

ESL(15)118 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Rev Sang Y Cha and Pastor David Fraser.

ESL(15)119 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

ESL(15)120 MINUTE OF MEETING HELD ON 23 APRIL 2015

The minute of the meeting of the Education, Sport and Leisure Committee held on 23 April 2015 were submitted for approval.

Decision

The minutes of the meeting held on 23 April 2015 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Convenor.

ESL(15)121 EDUCATION SERVICE PERFORMANCE 2014-2017 QUARTER 4 PROGRESS REPORT

The report, submitted by the Head of Education, provided the Committee with an update on the progress made against the targets contained within the Strategic Plan for the Education Service 2014-2017. The report also included financial performance until the end of the financial year and provides further progress on the Education Service Strategic Plan 2014-2017.

Motion

That the Committee agrees the recommendation set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Ellen Forson. Seconded by Councillor Walter McAdam, MBE.

Decision

Having commented on and challenged the performance of Education Service Performance 2014-2017 Quarter 4 Progress Report, the Committee unanimously agreed to note the information set out in the report.

ESL(15)122 EDUCATION SERVICE STRATEGIC PLAN REFRESH 2015-2016

The report, submitted by the Head of Education, updated the Committee on progress to date of actions undertaken in academic session 2014-2015 and to outline the proposed refresh of priorities for academic session 2015-16.

The Assistant Head of Education advised the Committee that on page 31, 3.5 second paragraph the information refers to Stirling and not Clackmannanshire.

Motion

That the Committee agrees the recommendations set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Ellen Forson. Seconded by Councillor Walter McAdam, MBE.

Decision

The Committee agreed to:

- 1) note the progress made in session 2014-2015 on the Strategic Plan 2014-2017.
- 2) approve the adjustment to priorities and timescale contained within the refreshed Strategic Plan 2015-2016.
- 3) note that an annual update on progress of the plan, together with other performance reporting such as quarterly performance reporting; Standards and Quality Report and bespoke elected members briefings on specific topics provide the Education Committee with appropriate updates on the performance of the Education Service.

ESL(15)123 INSPECTION OF SUNNYSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY CLASS PUBLICATION OF EDUCATION SCOTLAND'S REPORT

The report, submitted by the Head of Education, reported the outcome of the recently published report by Education Scotland on their inspection of Sunnyside Primary School and Nursery Class. Helen Finch, Headteacher, Sunnyside Primary School attended Committee and was in attendance to answer any questions.

Motion

That the Committee agrees the recommendation set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Ellen Forson. Seconded by Councillor Les Sharp.

Decision

The Committee agreed to note the outcome of the Education Scotland Inspection of Sunnyside Primary School and Nursery class and the plan for improvement.

ESL(15)124 SCOTTISH ATTAINMENT CHALLENGE IN CLACKMANNANSHIRE

The report, submitted by the Head of Education, provided the Committee with a briefing on the Scottish Attainment Challenge in Clackmannanshire.

Kevin Kelman, Assistant Head of Education and Carolyne McDaid, Acting Quality Improvement Officer presented the "Scottish Attainment Challenge in Clackmannanshire" to the Committee.

Motion

That the Committee agrees the recommendation set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Ellen Forson. Seconded by Councillor Walter McAdam, MBE.

Decision

Having commented on and challenged the performance of Scottish Attainment Challenge in Clackmannanshire Report, the Committee unanimously agreed to note the information set out in the report.

ESL(15)125 DEVELOPING SCOTLAND'S YOUNG WORKFORCE AND SUPPORTING MODERN APPRENTICESHIPS

The report, submitted by the Head of Development and Environment and the Head of Education, informed Committee of the Council's commitment to support Developing Scotland's Young Workforce agenda in Clackmannanshire and modern apprenticeships across Council Services.

Motion

That Committee agrees the recommendations set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Ellen Forson. Seconded by Councillor Irene Hamilton.

Decision

The Committee agreed to note:-

- 1. the development of Education Service's proposals to take forward the implementation of Developing Scotland's Young Workforce in Clackmannanshire and the closer and more integrated working with Economic Development.
- that the Council has agreed to commit a budget of £75,000 per annum over the next 3 years to increase the number of Modern Apprentices employed across the Council Services.

ESL(15)126 FAIRFIELD ART WORK

The report, submitted by the Head of Education, advised the Committee of the progress made on the displaying of public art at Fairfield Pavilion.

The Assistant Head of Education asked to make a change to 2.1 of the report to "Note the progress made." instead of " Note the progress made in moving this forward". The was unanimously agreed by Committee.

Motion

That Committee agrees the recommendation set out in the report.

Moved by Councillor Ellen Forson. Seconded by Councillor George Matchett.

Decision

The Committee agreed to note the progress made.

Ends 11.25 am.