



**MINUTES OF MEETING of the EDUCATION, SPORT AND LEISURE COMMITTEE held within the Council Chamber, Patons Building, Kilncraigs, Alloa, FK10 1EB, on THURSDAY 10 SEPTEMBER 2015 at 10.00 am.**

**PRESENT**

Councillor Ellen Forson, Convenor (In the Chair)  
Councillor Walter McAdam MBE  
Councillor Janet Cadenhead (S)  
Councillor Alastair Campbell  
Councillor Kenneth Earle (S)  
Councillor Irene Hamilton  
Councillor George Matchett, QPM  
Councillor Les Sharp

Rev Sang Y Cha, Appointed Member (Church of Scotland)  
Pastor David Fraser, Appointed Member (Scottish Baptist Church)  
Father Michael Freyne, Appointed Member (Roman Catholic Church)

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Garry Dallas, Executive Director  
David Leng, Head of Education  
Sharon Johnston, Assistant Head of Education  
Fiona MacDonald, Service Manager  
Bill Miller, Service Manager  
Iain McGhee, Education Officer  
Judy Edwards, Interim Service Manager, Early Years Collaborative  
Candace Sinclair, Programme Manager, Early Years Collaborative  
Susan Fallone, Solicitor, Legal Services (Clerk to the Committee)

**ESL(15)127 APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Bobby McGill and Councillor Jim Stalker. Councillor Janet Cadenhead attended as a substitute for Councillor McGill and Councillor Kenneth Earle attended as a substitute for Councillor Stalker.

**ESL(15)128 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

**ESL(15)129 MINUTE OF MEETING HELD ON 11 JUNE 2015**

The minute of the meeting of the Education, Sport and Leisure Committee held on 11 June 2015 were submitted for approval.

## **Decision**

The minutes of the Education Sport and Leisure Committee meeting held on 11 June 2015 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Convenor.

### **ESL(15)130 QUESTION TO THE CONVENOR - SPORTS COUNCIL MEETINGS**

In terms of Standing Order 19.1, a question to the Convenor was submitted by Councillor George Matchett, QPM.

#### **Question**

*Convenor*

*It has been brought to my attention that at the last Sports Council Meeting, it was noted in the minutes that no Councillors had attended in the previous year. After checking the minutes, I note that no Clackmannanshire Councillor has attended a Sports Council meeting for some 18 months plus.*

*Standing Order 9.18 provides, "if a Councillor does not attend any meetings of an external body to which he or she has been appointed by the Council for 12 months in a row and no substitute has attended in his/her place, the Councillor will no longer be a member of the external body unless we grant him or her leave of absence or if we have approved their reasons".*

*I am unaware of any of these members having been granted leave of absence and nothing has been communicated to the Sports Council.*

*Are there any reasons that you are aware of why the three members serving on the Sports Council should retain their positions?*

*Attached: Attendance Record from 18/03/2014 to 25/06/2015 (inclusive).*

In terms of Standing Order 19.2, the Convenor advised that she would respond to Councillor Matchett's question in writing.

### **ESL(15)131 EDUCATION SERVICES QUARTER 1 PERFORMANCE 2015/2016 PROGRESS REPORT**

A report which provided an update on the progress made against the targets contained within the Strategic Plan for the Education Service for 2014-2017 was submitted by the Head of Education. The appendices to the report provided information generated through the Covalent Performance Management System, performance within national benchmarking frameworks and a detailed breakdown of financial information.

#### **Motion**

That Committee agrees the recommendations set out in the report.

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

#### **Decision**

Having commented on and challenged the performance of the Education Service, the Committee agreed to note the information set out in the report.

**ESL(15)132 UPDATE ON PROGRESS OF THE EARLY YEARS COLLABORATIVE IN CLACKMANNANSHIRE**

The Committee heard a presentation from the Interim Service Manager, Early Years Collaborative, on Local Priority Key Change Areas and had opportunity to put questions to her as well as the Programme Manager, EYC. The Committee also watched a video presentation on the "Test of Change - Literacy at Sauchie Nursery".

Further documentation on a stakeholder event as well as contact details would be emailed to elected members separately.

On behalf of the Committee, the Convenor thanked the Interim Service Manager and Programme Manager for the presentation.

**Motion**

That Committee agrees the recommendations set out in the report.

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

**Decision**

The Committee agreed to note the information set out in the report on the progress of the Early Years Collaborative in Clackmannanshire.

**ESL(15)133 STIRLING AND CLACKMANNANSHIRE COMMUNITY LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2015-2018**

A report which provided the Committee with the three year Community Learning and Development Plan for 2015-2018 was submitted by the Head of Education. The Community Learning and Development Plan for 2015-18 sets out the proposals as to how CLD partners intend to meet the need for CLD within the Clackmannanshire and Stirling areas as required by the Community Learning and Development (CLD) (Scotland) Regulations 2013.

The Head of Education pointed out that recommendation 2.2 of the report requires the publishing of the Plan by 1 September 2015. The request to have a plan in place by 1 September was on a national basis and as today was the earliest opportunity to submit the plan to the Education Sport and Leisure Committee, recommendation 2.2 would be amended accordingly.

**Motion**

That Committee agrees the recommendations set out in the report.

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

**Decision**

The Committee agreed to:

- (i) Approve the proposals set out within the Community and Learning and Development Plan (Appendix 1 of the report).
- (ii) The Education Service publishing the plan.
- (iii) An update report being provided on an annual basis that measures the progress of implementation.

**Action**

Head of Education

**ESL(15)134    CONSULTATION PROCESS FOR TULLIBODY SOUTH PROPOSAL**

A report which presented the results of the informal consultation carried out to ascertain public views on the potential options for the replacement of Abercromby Primary School agreed by Council on 5 March 2015, was submitted by the Head of Education.

**Motion**

That Committee agrees the recommendations set out in the report.

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

**Decision**

The Committee agreed:

- (i) To note the results of the consultation carried out in respect of the Abercromby replacement consultation.
- (ii) That taking account of the analysis of the consultation, the Education Service presents a report on further options to Clackmannanshire Council in October 2015.

**Action**

Head of Education

Ends 1230 hrs