

EXECUTIVE SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE LIFELONG LEARNING COMMITTEE

Minute of Meeting of the Executive Sub-Committee of the Lifelong Learning Committee held in the Committee Room, Fourth Floor, Council Building, 2 High Street, Perth on Wednesday 6 February 2013 at 2.00pm.

Present: Councillors B Band, C Gillies, B Vaughan, G Walker and W Wilson.

In Attendance: J Fyffe, Executive Director (Education and Children's Services), J Gilchrist, H Richardson, K Robertson, C Mackie, S Devlin, A Dalziel and G Le Blanc (all Education and Children's Services); M Willis and Y Oliver (both Chief Executive's Service); S McColgan, Head Teacher, Milnathort Primary School.

Apology for Absence: Mrs H Bridge.

Councillor B Band, Convener, Presiding

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest made in terms of the Councillors' Code of Conduct.

2. SUMMARY REPORTS ON STANDARDS AND QUALITY IN SCHOOLS, PRE-SCHOOL CENTRES AND COMMUNITY LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Education and Children's Services) (13/65) advising the Committee of the key findings and progress with areas for improvement following the inspection of Cheeky Monkeys Nursery and Milnathort Primary School and Nursery Class by Her Majesty's Inspectorate (HMI).

Resolved:

Having heard the Head Teacher and relevant officers report on the main points for action and improvement in each case, and following scrutiny and comment by the Committee, it was agreed that the following reports, attached in Appendices 1a, 1b, 2a and 2b of Report 13/65, be noted:

- Summary and Education Scotland inspection letter of Cheeky Monkeys Nursery (Appendix 1a)
- Cheeky Monkeys Nursery Extended Learning and Achievement Visit, March 2012 (Appendix 1b)
- Summary and Education Scotland inspection letter of Milnathort Primary School and Nursery Class (Appendix 2a)
- Milnathort Primary School and Nursery Class Extended Learning and Achievement Visit, September 2010 (Appendix 2b).

3. CARE INSPECTORATE INSPECTIONS OF SUPPORT AND RESIDENTIAL CARE SERVICES FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Education and Children's Services) (13/66) setting out the key findings and areas for improvement following the inspection of We Care Perthshire by the Care Inspectorate completed in September 2012.

Resolved:

Following scrutiny and comment by the Committee on Report 13/66, the Care Inspectorate Inspection Report for We Care Perthshire (Appendix 1) be noted.

4. SCOTLAND'S SCHOOLS FOR THE FUTURE – PHASE 3 UPDATE

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Education and Children's Services) (13/67) (i) updating members on the successful bid for the secondary element of an all through school under the Scottish Government's Schools for the Future initiative and subsequent capital provision for the residual element of the indicative cost and (ii) recommending a preferred location for the all through school/campus.

Resolved:

- (i) Acceptance of the offer of funding for the secondary element of the new all through school, be approved.
- (ii) It be noted that Bertha Park is the preferred location of the new all through school/campus, subject to the required statutory consultation process.
- (iii) The Executive Director (Education and Children's Services) be instructed to bring forward a Proposal Paper in relation to the establishment of the new school and admission arrangements in terms of the Schools (Consultation) Act 2010 in due course.

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