



**Meeting of Highland Perthshire Learning Partnership Steering Group
17th December 2019, Pitlochry High School**

Minute of meeting

Attendee	In Attendance	Apologies	Action
Ian Fraser - Chair	√		IF
Carol Taylor		√	CT
Gordon Laidlaw	√		GL
Donald Macleod	√		DM
Eleanor Paul	√		EP
Sharon McGuire	√		SM
Catherine Etri	√		CE
Andy Charlton	√		AC
Trevor Blackall		√	TB
David Johnston	√		DJ
Judith Dingwall		√	JD
Lyndsey Hurley	√		LH
Eleanor Laurie		√	ELA
Elaine Liney	√		EL
John Devine	√		JD
Rachael Simms (minutes)	√		RS

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1	<p>Welcome and apologies</p> <p>Ian Fraser thanked everyone for their attendance. Apologies from Carol Taylor, Trevor Blackall, Judith Dingwall, Eleanor Laurie</p>	
2	<p>Minute of last Meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thanks given to G Laidlaw for minute of 25th November Michael Conlon to visit Breadalbane Parent Council re. digital learning / engagement – action outstanding. IF clarified that whilst this group can agree the report ultimately it is owned by Sharon Johnstone and Sheena Devlin who could make any changes deemed necessary. 	DM/JD
3	<p>Property Sub group action plan</p> <p>GL took the group through the key actions for the Sub Group</p> <p>Improvement of the Pitlochry High school building</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> High level requirements of school – completed Develop brief for Property Services – meeting scheduled for Thursday 19/12/19 to discuss ideas and agree content for draft brief ahead of the next Property sub group meeting where it will be reviewed and agreed. To be drafted by RS. Identify possible quick wins – completed. External areas including parking being 	

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	<p>considered.</p> <p>Development of a Perth College UHI Learning Hub in Pitlochry High School</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In the short term accommodation for the college from Aug 2020 will be managed through timetabling. • Medium term the plans will include infrastructure and layout for college requirements. <p>AC raised that the parking had been looked at before but had not progressed and asked what would be different this time. IF confirmed that that purpose of this work is to ensure the needs of the school and community are met through improvements so if it is deemed necessary it will need to happen.</p> <p>IF proposed that the Property Sub Group continues to meet to review progress and outcomes to ensure success. It was agreed by the group that this should group should continue to meet.</p> <p>Action – Add to conclusion.</p> <p>DJ queried that the action re identifying high level requirements was completed, and requested clarification of what they are. RS clarified that the high level requirements are those that have been defined by the school and pupils and these were shared at the Property sub group meeting.</p> <p>GL stated that there are real opportunities to improve standards at the school and build in flexibility. He advised that there is a variety of ideas to meet the requirements and not for us to make the decision but for the school to consider and agree.</p> <p>DJ raised concern regarding the sub group minutes re the community not necessarily being included in the Property Sub Group remit. RS advised that this will be on the agenda of the next sub group meeting for discussion.</p> <p>AC asked how much of the 2.8m mentioned in the report had been spent so far.</p> <p>Action - Figures to be provided at next property sub group meeting.</p>	<p>IF</p> <p>RS</p>
4	<p>Learning Sub group action plan</p> <p>DM provided a high level overview of the 3 key principles which have a range of activities which will be achievable and have an impact.</p> <p>Group feedback regarding plan -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GL – everything that he hoped for and possibly more • EL – very positive what we are doing and it will be better for the children • JD – feel involved and it's good to have a lot of partners, bit light on kp3 • All agreed that it will definitely be an enhancement on current. <p>AC – Felt that it's good, with a lot of actions and sought clarity re objectives and Pitlochry having an S5/S6 as it appeared to be on the table and then off.</p> <p>This was clarified as -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Off the table - two discreet groups at the two schools, • On the table - where elements of a young person's education such as Foundation 	

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	<p>Apprenticeships can be delivered in Pitlochry.</p> <p>EL highlighted that this will definitely be better for pupils of Highland Perthshire and will provide added value for all pupils and the community.</p> <p>DM asked if some courses normally provided to S5/S6 at Breadalbane could be delivered at Pitlochry. This is not yet known and outcome will be part of the HPLP work.</p> <p>KP2 DM highlighted how well the partnership was working with the college and when it works it will show how an innovative offer can be provided in rural Scotland.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Foundation Apprenticeship course in Social Services and Healthcare for pupils in S5/6 will be delivered from Aug 2020 (induction Jun 20). • A New Opportunities course will be delivered from Aug 2020 • Regional data is currently being analysed to identify best offer. • Course delivery will be through a blend of online, video conferencing and f2f. • Funding needs to be looked at carefully to identify what sits with School or College <p>EL - Beyond Highland Perthshire there will also be scope to look at areas like Kingussie. Offering to the wider region might make it more sustainable.</p> <p>JD – We like proposal. Resources, particularly travel facilities will need considered. Requirement is highlighted in resources section of report.</p> <p>KP3 DM advised that short term more work is to be done to explore the detail of this KP. It was acknowledged that pupils will need coached in this new way of learning and that it acted as a good first step for those going to university.</p>	
5	<p>Report for committee</p> <p>Report conclusions discussed</p> <p>The Parent Council reps requested information on the models explored as they are likely to be asked about what was considered.</p> <p>Action – EP to share presentation that was shared with sub group. The outcome was a blend of what was proposed.</p> <p>Discussion around communications to local community. It was agreed that as the papers will become public soon after the Christmas break that it may not be necessary at this time.</p> <p>IF will make the agreed amendments to the report. Everyone around the table agreed to the report.</p>	EP
6	<p>Close</p> <p>IF acknowledged how much he has enjoyed working with the group and how pleased he is with what we have. Special thanks to DM and CT for their work drafting the report and thanks also to JD for accommodating the group.</p> <p>AC acknowledged how pleased they are with how seriously the future of the school is being taken.</p> <p>The group gave their thanks to Ian for chairing.</p>	

