

PERTH AND KINROSS COUNCIL  
LIFELONG LEARNING COMMITTEE

7 January 2009

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Minute of Meeting of the Lifelong Learning Committee held in the Council Chambers, Fourth Floor, Council Building, 2 High Street, Perth on Wednesday 7 January 2009 at 10.00am.

Present: Councillors E Grant, K Baird, B Band, G Hayton, E Maclachlan, A MacLellan, D Melloy, S Miller, L Simpson, A Stewart, B Vaughan, W Wilson and A Wylie; Mrs H Bridge, Mr S Clark, Mr I Jackson, Monsignor K McCaffrey, Mr D Stewart and Mrs A McAuley.

In attendance: John Fyffe, Executive Director (Education and Children's Services); Maria Walker, Depute Director (Education and Children's Services); B Atkinson, H Jack, A Taylor, A Turnbull, S Watson, C Webb and S Younie (all Education and Children's Services); J Cockburn (Corporate Services); A Wilson and C Irons (both Chief Executive's Service).

Councillor E Grant, Convener, Presiding.

Prior to the commencement of business the Convener welcomed new members Mr Stuart Clark, representing the Primary Sector Parent Councils and Mrs Audrey McAuley, representing secondary sector teaching staff.

### 1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

### 2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

#### (i) Lifelong Learning Committee

The Minute of Meeting of the Lifelong Learning Committee of 29 October 2008 (Arts. 596-610) was submitted, approved as a correct record, and authorised for signature.

#### (ii) Joint Negotiating Committee for Teaching Staff

The Minute of Meeting of the Joint Negotiating Committee for Teaching Staff of 30 September 2008 was submitted and noted (**Appendix I**).

#### (iii) Attendance Sub-Committee

The Minute of Meeting of the Attendance Sub-Committee of the Lifelong Learning Committee of 6 November 2008 was submitted and noted (**Appendix II**).

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**\*3. STANDARDS AND QUALITY REPORT 2007-08**

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Education and Children's Services) (09/09), (1) presenting the achievements of the services during 2007-08 in delivering Council and Single Outcome Agreement priorities; and (2) proposing to publish the report and make it widely available within Perth and Kinross as part of Education and Children's Services statutory requirement to report to the public on the performance of the services provided.

**Resolved:**

- (i) The report on Standards and Quality in Education and Children's Services in Perth and Kinross 2007-08, attached as Appendix 1 to Report 09/09, be approved.
- (ii) That report be made available to staff, parents, carers, Parent Councils, external agencies and the wider community in Perth and Kinross.

**4. THESE ARE OUR BAIRNS; COUNT US IN; AND SWEET 16: THREE NATIONAL REPORTS RELATING TO LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE**

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Education and Children's Services) (09/10), (1) bringing to the attention of members three national reports which provided recommendations for improving outcomes for Looked After Children; and (2) seeking approval to take forward proposals in respect of each priority area: corporate parenting, education and throughcare/aftercare services.

**Resolved:**

- (i) The publication and summary contents of each report be noted.
- (ii) The Executive Director (Education and Children's Services) be remitted to bring a progress report on each aspect of activity within the annual report on progress of the Strategy for Looked After Children in August 2009.

**5. PERTH AND KINROSS ACCREDITED CLUB EXCELLENCE SCHEME (PACES)**

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Education and Children's Services) (09/11) seeking approval for the introduction of a voluntary sports club development and accreditation scheme for Perth and Kinross, to be known as the Perth and Kinross Accredited Club Excellence Scheme (PACES), designed to provide a quality assurance framework for sports clubs.

**Resolved:**

- (i) A voluntary Sports Club Accreditation Scheme for Perth and Kinross to be managed by the Sports Development Team, as outlined in Report 09/11, be adopted.
- (ii) The benefits of this initiative relating to the *2006 Accord for the Protection of Children in Scottish Sport* with regard to Child Protection, be noted.
- (iii) The Executive Director (Education and Children's Services) be remitted to consider the potential to offer accredited clubs easier access to Council premises in any future letting policy.

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- (iv) A further progress report be submitted to this Committee in Autumn 2010 to update members on the initial implementation phase of the scheme.

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