

LIFELONG LEARNING COMMITTEE EXECUTIVE SUB-COMMITTEE

Minute of Meeting of the Lifelong Learning Committee Executive Sub-Committee held in Room 415, Fourth Floor, Council Building, 2 High Street, Perth on 27 February 2008 at 2.00pm.

Present: Councillors B Band, G Hayton, A MacLellan, S Miller and B Vaughan; Monsignor K McCaffrey.

In Attendance: Councillor K Baird; B Atkinson, M Anderson, M Brown, S Devlin, P Fegen, L McIntosh, L Richards, C Webb and M Wilson, (all Education & Children's Services); J Somerville (Chief Executive's Service).

Apology for Absence: Councillor E Grant

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

2. APPOINTMENT OF CONVENER

It was unanimously agreed that Councillor E Grant be appointed Convener of the Sub-Committee. In the absence of Councillor E Grant, it was unanimously agreed that Councillor Hayton take the chair for this meeting of the Sub-Committee.

Councillor G Hayton, Presiding.

3. REMIT OF THE EXECUTIVE SUB-COMMITTEE

The remit of the Sub-Committee was noted by those present, as under:

1. to decide any matter which would normally be decided by the Committee, but which, by reason of urgency, requires to be decided prior to the next scheduled meeting of the Committee.
2. To consider HM Inspectorate (HMI) and Quality Management in Education (QMIE) reports on individual schools, pre-school partner providers and community learning;
3. To consider HM Inspectorate (HMI) reports on general aspects of education provision, including learning and teaching, the curriculum, and care and welfare;
4. To consider reports on inspections carried out by the Scottish Commission for the Regulation of Care where these relate to the provision of services to children.

COUNCILLOR B BAND JOINED THE MEETING DURING DISCUSSION OF THE FOLLOWING ITEM.

4. CARE COMMISSION INSPECTION OF ADOPTION AND FOSTERING SERVICES

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Education and Children's Services) (08/123), (1) advising that in September 2007 the Care Commission had conducted its second inspection into the Council's Adoption and Fostering Services; and (2) Informing the Sub-Committee of the inspection outcomes.

Resolved:

- (i) The outcomes of the inspection reports of Foster Care and Family Placement Services, as detailed at Appendix 1 to Report 08/123, and Adoption Services as detailed at Appendix 2 to Report 08/123, be noted.

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- (ii) The Action Plans for both services, as detailed at Appendices 3 and 4 to Report 08/123, be endorsed.

5. SUMMARY REPORTS ON STANDARD AND QUALITY IN SCHOOL, PRE-SCHOOL CENTRES AND OTHER ESTABLISHMENTS (Art. 321/07)

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Education and Children's Services), (08/124) advising the Committee of the key findings and progress with main points of action as set out in three summary reports (Appendices 1-3) from Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Education (HMIE), Care Commission and Education and Children's Services. In each case, the Sub-Committee heard from a spokesperson on behalf of the school, who also answered Members' questions.

Resolved:

The summary reports as attached in Appendices 1-3 of report 08/124 be noted:-

- (i) Summary of the HMIE Inspection Report on Grandtully Primary School (Appendix 1).
- (ii) Summary of the HMIE Inspection Report on Struan Primary School (Appendix 2).
- (iii) Summary of the HMIE Inspection Report on Portmoak Primary School (Appendix 3).

6. APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE SCHOOL ESTATE SUB-COMMITTEE

Resolved:

Councillors B Band, E Grant, G Hayton, A MacLellan and B Vaughan, together with the Convener of the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee, be appointed to the School Estate Sub-Committee.