

The City of Edinburgh Council

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Appointment of Parent Representative to the Education, Children and Families Committee

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Executive Summary

The Council is requested to confirm the appointment of Alexander Ramage as the parent representative to the Education, Children and Families Committee.

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1. Recommendations

- 1.1 The Council is requested to confirm the appointment of Alexander Ramage as the parent representative to the Education, Children and Families Committee, term of office to run from 21 September 2017 to 30 April 2022.
- 1.2 To note that the appointment is conditional upon confirmation that the appointee will comply with the Councillors' Code of Conduct and membership of the Protection of Vulnerable Groups (PVG) Scheme.

2. Background

- 2.1 The Council, on 22 June 2017, agreed changes to the membership of the Education, Children and Families Committee. It was agreed not to re-appoint teacher representatives to the Committee and to retain the parent representative but in a non-voting capacity, while noting the need to significantly strengthen engagement with teachers, pupils and parents through the decision making process.
- 2.2 Only members of the Consultative Committee with Parents (CCWP), duly appointed from schools and parent councils, are eligible to be nominated as the parent representative to the Education, Children and Families Committee.

3. Main report

- 3.1 At a meeting of the CCWP on 14 September 2017, nominations were sought for the position of the parent representative to the Education, Children and Families Committee.
- 3.2 The CCWP recommended that Alexander Ramage be appointed as the parent representative to the Committee. Alexander Ramage was the parent representative on the Committee in the previous Administration and has significant experience in the role.

4. Measures of success

- 4.1 Appointment of the parent representative to the Education, Children and Families Committee strengthens engagement of parents in education and continued participation with key stakeholder representatives.

5. Financial impact

- 5.1 The parent representative will be able to claim travel and subsistence for attendance at meetings.

6. Risk, policy, compliance and governance impact

- 6.1 Appointment of a parent representative is key in fulfilling committee business and decision making processes for the Education, Children and Families Committee.

7. Equalities impact

- 7.1 There are no direct equalities impacts as a result of this report.

8. Sustainability impact

- 8.1 There are no direct sustainability impacts as a result of this report.

9. Consultation and engagement

- 9.1 Consultation and engagement took place with parent council representatives within each Locality.

10. Background reading/external references

[Minute of the City of Edinburgh Council 22 June 2017 \(item 2\)](#)

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11. Appendices

None.