

Notice of meeting and agenda

Education, Children and Families Committee

10am, Tuesday, 19 May 2015

Council Chamber, City Chambers, High Street, Edinburgh

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1. Order of business

- 1.1 Including any notices of motion and any other items of business submitted as urgent for consideration at the meeting.

2. Declaration of interests

- 2.1 Members should declare any financial and non-financial interests they have in the items of business for consideration, identifying the relevant agenda item and the nature of their interest.

3. Deputations

- 3.1 If any

4. Minutes

- 4.1 Education, Children and Families Committee 3 March 2015 (circulated)
Submitted for approval as a correct record

5. Forward planning

- 5.1 Education, Children and Families Committee Key Decisions Forward Plan – October to December 2015 (circulated)
- 5.2 Education, Children and Families Committee Rolling Actions Log (circulated)

6. Business bulletin

- 6.1 Education, Children and Families Committee Business Bulletin (circulated)

7. Executive decisions

- 7.1 Standards and Quality Report 2015 and Children and Families Service Plan 2015-18 – report by the Director of Children and Families (circulated)
- 7.2 Edinburgh Children's Partnership - Integrated Plan for Children and Young People 2015-2018 – report by the Director of Children and Families (circulated)
- 7.3 Early Years Strategy Report – report by the Director of Children and Families (circulated)
- 7.4 New Early Years Provision at Fox Covert and Wardie – A Co-operative Approach – report by the Director of Children and Families (circulated)
- 7.5 Early Years Capital Investment – report by the Director of Children and Families (circulated)

- 7.6 Primary School Capacity Pressure in South Edinburgh – report by the Director of Children and Families (circulated)
- 7.7 Children and Families Asset Management Plan 2014 - Update– report by the Director of Children and Families (circulated)
- 7.8 Primary School Estate Rising Rolls – report by the Director of Children and Families (circulated)
- 7.9 Buckstone Primary School – Use of Developer Contributions – report by the Director of Children and Families (circulated)
- 7.10 Free School Meals P1–P3 - Progress Report – report by the Director of Children and Families (circulated)
- 7.11 Preventing and Responding to Bullying and Prejudice in City of Edinburgh Schools – report by the Director of Children and Families (circulated)
- 7.12 Response to the Scottish Government’s Education Bill - report by the Director of Children and Families (circulated)
- 7.13 Children and Families Grants to Third Parties 2015/16 – report by the Director of Children and Families (circulated)
- 7.14 1:1 Digital Learning Rollout – report by the Director of Children and Families (circulated)
- 7.15 Progress on the Implementation Self Directed Support in Children and Families – report by the Director of Children and Families (circulated)

8. Routine decisions

- 8.1 Community Learning and Development Annual Report – report by the Director of Children and Families (circulated)
- 8.2 Corporate Performance Framework: Performance from September 2014 to February 2015 – report by the Director of Children and Families (circulated)
- 8.3 Social Work Complaints Review Committee Recommendations - 25 March 2015 - report by the Chair of the Social Work Complaints Review Committee (circulated)
- 8.4 Policies - Assurance Statement – report by the Director of Children and Families (circulated)
- 8.5 School Session Dates 2016/2017, 2017/2018 and Consultation on Future Dates – report by the Director of Children and Families (circulated)

9. Motions

9.1 Parent Councils – Motion by Councillor Main

This Committee notes

1. The extensive contribution of volunteer time and funds raised by parents and Parent Councils across the city for schools and education projects and that the funding and opportunities for pupils and schools afforded by PCs are not quantified or the values known or reported.
2. £289,000 awarded to 7 Edinburgh Parent councils by the Legacy 2014 Active Play for capital projects for Edinburgh School Playgrounds and the additional match funding raised by the parent Councils for these projects totalling around £580,000 is only one of many success stories this year.
3. The difficulties and delays in taking the Legacy 2014 projects forward, experienced by some Parent Councils, that have been caused by unresolved issues with the Council.

Therefore this Committee:

1. Records its thanks and appreciation on behalf of the city for the hard work and contributions of all Parents Councils to the education and school environment of pupils across Edinburgh,
2. Welcomes the additional officer support for parent councils to coordinate dealings with CEC departments, to enable projects in schools and school grounds to proceed, as put in place by the Director,
3. Requests that a general partnership agreement is drawn up, reflecting effective and productive partnership between Edinburgh Council and Parent Councils, laying out clear guidance and information necessary for the delivery of partnership projects, ensuring grant and project requirements and assurances of all parties can be met timeously,
4. Requests support for Parent Councils to research charitable status and a central Edinburgh charity to support education,
5. Agrees to receive an annual report on partnership work with Parent Councils, highlighting the priorities and projects undertaken, celebrating the successes, and quantifying the funding and opportunities brought to the city by parents and Parent Councils.

Carol Campbell

Head of Legal, Risk and Compliance

Committee Members

Councillors Godzik (Convener), Fullerton (Vice-Convener), Aitken, Aldridge, Austin Hart, Brock, Child, Nick Cook, Corbett, Day, Dixon, Jackson, Key, Lewis, Main, Milligan, Redpath, Robson, Rust, Burns (ex-officio) and Howat (ex-officio).

For Education items – Marie Allan, Rev Thomas Coupar, Allan Crosbie, Craig Duncan, Lindsay Law and John Swinburne.

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