

Notice of meeting and agenda

Education, Children and Families Committee

10:00am, Tuesday 14 August 2018

Dean of Guild Court Room, 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 22 May 2018 (circulated) - submitted for approval as a correct record
- 4.2 Education, Children and Families Committee (Additional Meeting) 21 June 2018 (circulated) - submitted for approval as a correct record

5. Forward planning

- 5.1 Rolling Actions Log (circulated)
- 5.2 Key Decisions Forward Plan (circulated)

6. Business bulletin

- 6.1 Business Bulletin (circulated)

7. Executive decisions

- 7.1 The Edinburgh Children's Partnership – Annual Report 2017-18 for the Children's Services Plan 2017-2020 – report by the Executive Director for Communities and Families (circulated)
- 7.2 Appointments to Sub-Committees on Standards for Children and Families, Consultative Committee with Parents and Working Groups 2018/2019 – report by the Chief Executive (circulated)
- 7.3 Expansion of Early Learning and Childcare from 600-1140 hours by 2020. Current Progress and Next Steps - report by the Executive Director for Communities and Families (circulated)
- 7.4 Communities and Families Assurance Framework Report - report by the Executive Director for Communities and Families (circulated)
- 7.5 Daylight Impact Assessment Central Library – report by the Executive Director for Communities and Families (circulated)
- 7.6 Looked After Children: Transformation Programme Progress Report – report by the Executive Director for Communities and Families (circulated)

- 7.7 Accounts Commission – Local Government in Scotland – Challenges and Performance 2018 - referral from the Governance, Risk and Best Value Committee (circulated)
- 7.8 Play Schemes for Children with Disabilities Progress Report – report by the Executive Director for Communities and Families (circulated)
- 7.9 Sport and Outdoor Learning – report by the Executive Director for Communities and Families (circulated)
- 7.10 Revenue Monitoring 2018/19 – Month Three Position – report by the Executive Director for Communities and Families (circulated)
- 7.11 Edinburgh Community Learning and Development Partnership Plan 2018-21 – report by the Executive Director for Communities (circulated)

8. Motions

- 8.1 By Councillor Mary Campbell – Towerbank Primary School – On-Site Cooking of School Meals

“Committee notes Towerbank Primary school is one of the largest primary schools in the City of Edinburgh’s school estate, with a roll of over 600. Situated on a very limited site, it recently had a large extension added which allowed more pupils to eat school lunches at once, but did not include an on-site kitchen/preparation function.

Committee notes that Towerbank Parent Council have been working with council staff to make any improvements they can to the quality of school meals. They are concerned about the level of waste and the number of pupils rejecting school meals that are often overcooked or under-heated given the limitations of delivering food ‘ready to serve’. They are therefore interested to see if there is capacity at Towerbank to pilot increasing the amount of food that is cooked on-site.

Committee calls for a report in one cycle looking at the feasibility of a hybrid model of food production at Towerbank, whereby dishes are still largely prepared off-site but are cooked/assembled on site to improve quality and uptake of school meals.

The report should cover:

- Physical resource requirements (an examination of different models/methods e.g. oven, grills, microwave)
- Staff resource requirements to include training requirements for current employees
- Costs
- Potential timescale for implementation.”

Laurence Rockey

Head of Strategy and Insight

Committee Members

Councillors Perry (Convener), Dickie (Vice-Convener), Bird, Mary Campbell, Corbett, Griffiths, Howie, Laidlaw, Rust, Smith and Young.

Added Members for Education Items

Religious Representatives

Rabbi David Rose, Dr Rita Welsh and (Vacancy)

Parent Representative (Non-Voting)

Alexander Ramage

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