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Motions and Amendments

Education, Children and Families Committee

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Motion by the Coalition

Education, Children and Families Committee 12 October 2021 Item 7.3 – New Primary School Name

Committee agrees to:

- 1. Implement para 4.3 and 4.4.
- 2. To inform the appropriate Community Councils and Community Organisations that the wider community consultation will remain open until the conclusion of the Education Community consultation.

Moved by Councillor lan Perry

Seconded by Councillor Alison Dickie



Amendment by the Liberal Democrat Group

Education, Children & Families Committee 12 October 2021 Item No 7.3 – New Primary School Name

Committee notes the updated report and the efforts made to consult with ward councillors on a consultation process.

Committee agrees to proceed with the consultation before the school opens to ensure a permanent identity is in place for the children attending, and that the consultation should:

- be open to parents of proposed new P1 intake, parents of neighbouring primary schools, parents of feeder nursery schools, and local residents living in the proposed catchment of the new school
- be hosted online and to follow the model used for the Braid Road consultation, requiring full address details and 'reason for responding' (i.e. nursery parent) to ensure respondents are eligible
- include the 3 names on the final shortlist in the report
- ask respondents to rank the names in order of preference (to provide additional detail for committee on overall popularity of each option)
- start as soon as possible but allow additional time if it crosses over with the mid-term break, and
- be communicated to ward councillors, schools/nurseries for sharing with parents and the community council

The outcome of the consultation to be reported back to members in one cycle at the December meeting.

Moved by Councillor Louise Young

Seconded by Councillor Callum Laidlaw



Motion by the Coalition

Education, Children and Families Committee 12 October 2021 School Sports & Extra Curricular Activities/School Lets: Progress Update

Following a discussion at the Consultative Committee with Parents the Committee seeks to address the concerns that were raised by agreeing to the following:

- 1. To provide a list of all the Extra Curriculum activities that were delivered before the pandemic.
- 2. Report back to the December Committee on the progress to re-establishing the programme to pre-Covid levels.
- 3. To establish if this has resulted in additional charges being levied on parents that were not charged pre-Covid.
- 4. To report back the Equalities Impact Assessment.
- 5. To detail the outcomes that will be delivered as part of the Extra Curriculum programme and how these will be monitored.

Moved by Councillor Ian Perry

Seconded by Councillor Alison Dickie



Addendum by the Conservative Group

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Item 7.5 - School Sports & Extra Curricular Activities/School Lets: Progress Update

Committee

Adds to Recommendations:

- 1.1.3 Notes that Edinburgh's Active Schools programme has traditionally utilised more charged coaching than other local authorities, recognising the greater number of sport's clubs and professional coaching available in Scotland's capital city, and the associated value this has brought to children and young people wanting to enter professional competitive sport and associated careers. This has entailed low-level charging of some participants, on a means-tested basis (e.g., excluding those on free meals) and at a considerably lower cost than private clubs.
- 1.1.4 Recognises that the new Scottish Government policy on the delivery of Active Schools will prevent these charged activities being run by Active Schools Coordinators, with a view to increasing equity, but acknowledges that this may have an impact on the breadth and quality of sports offered when relying on volunteer coaches.
- 1.1.5 Notes that some schools will choose to continue to work with and/or take on organisations that charge for coaching and will either charge pupils; request support from PTAs; or find other sources of funding to pay for this provision.
- 1.1.6 Notes that Active Schools are responsible for ensuring as many opportunities in physical activity and sport are offered to pupils and school led demand may require the ASCs to source clubs/organisations that can deliver activities and will do so for a charge, with the agreement that free places will be offered to those who need it. Such sessions may still be organised by Active Schools but not run by them. It will be the responsibility of the club/organisation to take bookings, produce registers, collate medical information and collect payment however ASCs will help.
 - Council agrees to provide specific communications to ASCs, schools, clubs and parent organisations to specify how this can be organised using resources such as ParentPay.
- 1.1.7 Recognises that this is a transition period to a changed operating model and that it is important that the impact is assessed. Agrees that Council will report within two cycles to Committee with the following information:



- What sports were offered pre-pandemic (for each CEC school) and how were they delivered
- What sports are now offered under the free-of-charge Active Schools programme (for each CEC school)
- What sports previously offered under Active Schools are now organised independently to include:
- What is being offered and provider
- Costs to pupils
- Costs being met by PTAs and other parental donations
- If ParentPay is being used

An EQIA of the new offer.

1.1.8 Notes that a school lets are a vital resource for delivering health and well-being and that given working hours this is often only possible to be delivered by parental volunteers after 6pm. Agrees to support the expected increase in volunteer delivery by allocating one evening, per school, per week, where the period 6-9pm is offered for volunteer delivered sport free-of-charge in three one-hour slots.

Moved by: Councillor Callum Laidlaw Seconded by: Councillor Scott Douglas

Amendment by the Green Group

Education, Children and Families Committee 12 October 2021 Item 7.5 – School Sports & Extracurricular Activities School Lets – Progress Update

- 1.1.3 Committee recognises the concerns expressed by some schools in areas of multiple deprivation that the Active School model changes can affect them disproportionately due to their issues recruiting volunteer coaches. As they have stretched staff capacity, who are already working to ensure the highest standard of learning and pastoral care, and that their families face multiple barriers to volunteering, including zero hours contracts, poor mental and physical health, caring responsibilities, language barriers, substance misuse issues and more,
- 1.1.4 Committee therefore calls for a report in two cycles that will explore options for how the council and Active Schools coordinators can support extra-curricular activities, including the potential for training of volunteers, linking to recognised qualification schemes, covering the costs of PVG checks, sourcing equipment, and any additional measures to ensure that schools who need support to run a full programme of extra-curricular activities can do so.

Moved by: Councillor Mary Campbell

Seconded by: Councillor Burgess

