Coventry City Council Minutes of the Meeting of Cabinet Member (Education) held at 2.00 pm on Tuesday, 1 October 2013

Present:

Members: Councillor D Kershaw (Cabinet Member)

Councillor J Lepoidevin (Substitute - Shadow Cabinet Member)

Councillor D Howells (Deputy Cabinet Member)

Other Members: Councillors M Mutton

Employees (by Directorate):

Apologies: Councillor J Blundell (Shadow Cabinet Member)

Public Business

14. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of Interest.

15. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 16th July 2013 were agreed and signed as a true record.

Further to Minute 10/13 headed 'Dissolution of the Federated Governing Body for Alice Stevens, Baginton Fields and Sherbourne Fields Schools and the establishment of Single Governing Bodies for each school', the Cabinet Member confirmed that the temporary governing bodies had now been established and meetings of them had taken place.

16. Review of the New Coventry Strategy for Improving Attendance

The Cabinet Member considered a report of the Executive Director People that provided an update on the impact of Coventry's Attendance Strategy one year after its implementation in September 2012 and summarised the levels of attendance in the 2012/2013 school year.

Data was available to allow analysis of the impact of the service and showed that attendance figures had been maintained across all phases with slight improvements in overall attendance for both primary and secondary schools. Figures were in line with the 2011/2012 national average for secondary schools and slightly below for primary schools.

Persistent absence levels in secondary schools showed an improvement and had fallen below the national average and for primary schools were slightly improved with a fall in the level of persistent absence, although the persistent absence level was above the national average for 2011/2012.

The Cabinet Member welcomed the approach being taken on Coventry's Attendance Strategy and thanked officers for their work on this matter.

RESOLVED that the Cabinet Member endorses the Coventry Strategy for improving attendance and approved a revised approach to the way in which the service works with schools to enhance the Strategy.

17. Appointment of Local Authority Governors

RESOLVED that, having met the Local Authority criteria for the appointment of Local Authority school governors, Cabinet Member approves the appointment and re-appointment of the persons listed below for the schools and terms of office indicated:-

Authority Governor: New Appointments

Name	School	Term of Office
Mr Steve Stewart	Moathouse Primary	30 September 2017
Mrs Jane Jones	Park Hill Primary	30 September 2017
Mr Pete James	SS Peter and Paul Catholic Primary	30 September 2017
Mrs Sybil Hanson	St John's CE Primary	30 September 2017
Mr Naeem Arif	Stanton Bridge Primary	30 September 2017

Authority Governor: Re-Appointments

Name	School	Term of Office
Helen Hutchings	Barrs Hill School	13 October 2017
Dilip Patani	Holbrook Primary	1 November 2017
Cllr M Auluck	John Gulson Primary	1 November 2017
Roshni Naik	Moseley Primary	13 October 2017
George Duggins	Mount Nod Primary	25 October 2017
Bill Day	Ravensdale Primary	26 November 2017
Rowena Collins	Richard Lee Primary	26 November 2017
Cheryl Wall	St Christopher Primary	25 October 2017
Alan Farmer	St John Vianney Catholic Primary	25 October 2017
Gordon Meredith	Southfields Primary	25 October 2017

Joan Leigh	Sowe Valley Primary	13 October 2017
Maxine Thacker	Templars Primary	26 November 2017
David Spurgeon	Tiverton School	13 October 2017

18. **Outstanding Issues**

The Cabinet Member noted a report of the Executive Director, Resources, that contained an outstanding issue in respect of his portfolio. As the matter had been considered at this meeting it could be removed from the list.

19. Any Other Items of Public Business

There were no other items of public business.

(Meeting closed at 2.35 pm)