Coventry City Council

Minutes of the meeting of Cabinet Member (Education) held at 2.00 pm. on 16 July 2013

Present:

Cabinet Member: Councillor Kershaw

Deputy Cabinet Member: Councillor Howells

Shadow Cabinet Member: Councillor Blundell

Other Members: Councillor Duggins

(Cabinet Member (Children and Young People)) -

By Invitation

Employees (by Directorate):

Community Services: S Brake, H Blevins

Children, Learning & Young People D Haley, D Wallis, K Huxtable

Customer & Workforce Services: M Salmon Finance & Legal Services E Atkins

Public business

6. Minutes (Minutes)

The minutes of the meeting held on 11th June 2013 were agreed and signed as a true record. There were no matters arising.

7. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

8. Adult Education Service 3 Year Strategic Development Plan 2013-2016 (Report) (Appendix)

The Cabinet Member considered a report of the Director of Community Services that sought approval of the Adult Education Service three year Strategic Development Plan. The Service delivered accredited and non-accredited learning opportunities to adults across Coventry, with a particular focus on working in priority neighbourhoods and supporting learners who had not yet achieved a first level two qualification. The Plan included key actions for the Service, to improve its performance and delivery. The improvements were to ensure that the Service continued to meet learner expectations as well as the requirements of Ofsted and to support it in meeting funding body targets and its on-going sustainability.

The Cabinet Member expressed his support, endorsed by the Shadow Cabinet Member, for this valuable service provision and acknowledged its positive impact and importance to communities.

RESOLVED that Cabinet Member (Education) approves the Adult Education Service 3 year Strategic Development Plan for 2013-2016.

9. School Meals Price Increase with effect from September 2013 (Report)

The Cabinet Member considered a report of the Director of Children, Learning and Young People that sought approval to increase the price of school meals, in line with the pricing strategy agreed by the Cabinet in 2010 (minute 14/10 refers). The School Catering Service reviewed and monitored its performance and regularly liaised with its suppliers, to ensure that the Service operated as efficiently as possible.

RESOLVED that Cabinet Member (Education):

- (1) Notes the budget performance for the School Meal Service in 2012/13.
- (2) Agrees to increase the price of Primary & Special School meals by 5p to £2.00 per day from 3 September 2013.
- (3) Agrees to there being no increase in the notional value of the Free Meal allowance in Secondary Schools from 2 September 2013, i.e. the notional price to remain at £2.55 per day.
- (4) Agrees to increase the price of adult meals by 5p per meal to £3.21 for an adult meal and to £2.69 for a teacher duty/student meal from 2 September 2013.
- (5) Agree to increase Special Secondary School Prices in two stages from 2nd September 2013 by 10p to £2.05 per meal and 1st January by 10p to £2.15 per meal.
- Dissolution of the Federated Governing Body of Alice Stevens, Baginton Fields and Sherbourne Fields Special Schools and the Establishment of Individual Governing Bodies (Report)

The Cabinet Member considered a report of the Director of Children, Learning and Young People that sought approval to dissolve the Federated Governing Body of Alice Stevens, Baginton Fields and Sherbourne Fields Special Schools and establish individual Governing Bodies. The Federated Governing Body was established as a vehicle for implementing the Secondary Broad Spectrum Inclusion Strategy and had secured, through the Governments Priority Schools Building Programme, the delivery of the first Broad Spectrum Secondary School with the rebuilding of the Alice Stevens School, which would have governance arrangements under a single governing body. The remaining schools in the federation had determined that in order to achieve the Broad Spectrum Strategy there needed to be a strategic partnership in place that included the primary special schools and that this was best achieved through a Partnership Board rather than a federated governing body. The School Governance (Federations) England Regulations 2012 required that the Local Authority established temporary governing bodies for schools leaving a federation.

The Cabinet Member thanked Councillor Noonan for the issues she had raised regarding the dissolution process which would be considered for future consultations.

RESOLVED that Cabinet Member (Education):

- (1) Approves the establishment of temporary governing bodies for Alice Stevens, Baginton Fields and Sherbourne Fields Schools.
- (2) Appoints the members detailed in the appendix as temporary governors for each school.
- (3) Approves the establishment of a cross-phase Partnership Board to deliver the Local Authority's Broad Spectrum School Strategy.

11. Appointment of Authority Governors (Report)

RESOLVED that, having met the Local Authority criteria for the appointment of Local Authority school governors, Cabinet Member (Education) 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 |
|--------------------|---------------------------------|----------------|
| Mrs C Campbell | Corpus Christi Catholic Primary | 15 July 2017 |
| Mr H. Hopkinson | Henley Green Primary | 15 July 2017 |
| Mr Gordon Mercer | St Gregory's Catholic Primary | 15 July 2017 |
| Mr Harish Dhokia | Stivichall Primary | 15 July 2017 |
| Mr T Sandhu | Stoke Primary School | 15 July 2017 |
| Mrs Pat Cox | St Johns CE Primary | 15 July 2017 |
| Councillor R Sandy | Whoberley Hall Primary | 15 July 2017 |

Authority Governor: Re-appointments

| Name | School | Term of Office |
|---------------------|---------------------------------|----------------|
| Mr S Rees | Alderman's Green Primary | 20 July 2017 |
| Councillor K Taylor | All Saints CE Primary | 31 August 2017 |
| Mr P Liggins | Allesley Primary | 20 July 2017 |
| Councillor A Lucas | Cardinal Newman Catholic School | 31 August 2017 |

| Mr P Beasley | Coundon Primary | 20 July 2017 |
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| Mr G Moore | Coundon Primary | 20 July 2017 |
| Ms J Young | Edgewick Primary | 20 July 2017 |
| Councillor G Duggins | Longford Park Primary | 31 August 2017 |
| Dr R Nash | Lyng Hall School | 25 July 2017 |
| Councillor L Kelly | Moat House Primary | 25 July 2017 |
| Mrs J Piper | Park Hill Primary | 31 August 2017 |
| Mrs L Burns | Potters Green Primary | 20 July 2017 |
| Mrs H Hudson | Whitmore Park Primary | 20 July 2017 |
| Councillor D Chater | Willenhall Primary | 31 August 2017 |
| Councillor R Lahka | Willenhall Primary | 31 August 2017 |
| Mr J Hetherington | Willenhall Primary | 31 August 2017 |

12. Outstanding Issues (Report)

The Cabinet Member considered a report of the Director of Customer and Workforce Services that contained the list of outstanding issues in respect of his portfolio. The report summarised the current position in respect of the future consideration of reports for each item.

RESOLVED that Cabinet Member (Education) notes the dates for the future consideration of matters relating to the outstanding issue items listed in the report. He also notes that the issue relating to 'Post-16 Transport Policy – Support to Access Education and Training' will be included in the 'Revised Transport Policy' report being submitted in Autumn 2013 therefore, the matter could be removed from the list.

13. Any Other Public Business

There were no other items of public business.

(Meeting closed at: 2.55 p.m.)