Coventry City Council Minutes of the Meeting of Cabinet Member (Education) held at 2.00 pm on Tuesday, 11 March 2014

Present:

Members: Councillor D Kershaw (Cabinet Member)

Councillor J Blundell (Shadow Cabinet Member)

Employees:

E Atkins, Resources Directorate D Haley, People Directorate S Heawood, People Directorate U Patel, Resources Directorate D Wallis, People Directorate

Apologies: Councillor D Howells (Deputy Cabinet Member)

Public Business

33. **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

34. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 21st January, 2014 were signed as a true record. There were no matters arising.

35. Co-ordinated School Admission Schemes for 2015 and Community and Voluntary Controlled School Admission Policies for 2015

The Cabinet Member considered a report of the Director of Education and Inclusion which provided information on the Co-ordinated School Admission Schemes for 2015 and Community and Voluntary Controlled School Admission Policies for 2015.

Each year the Department for Education requires Local Authorities to determine the co-ordination schemes for school admissions in their areas and the admissions policies for community and voluntary controlled schools which are the responsibility of the local authority, by 15th April 2014.

In April 2006, Cabinet agreed that consideration of reports on school admission arrangements would be delegated to the appropriate Cabinet Member in years where there were no significant changes to admission arrangements (their minute 196/06 refers).

All schemes and policies referred to in the report were considered by the School Admissions Forum on 7th February 2014. As there had been no significant changes to the schemes and policies since the 2013 policies, consultation was not required by the School Admissions Code.

The Cabinet Member noted that increasing the admission numbers at Edgewick Primary School was subject to a separate consultation process and was the subject of separate reports to Cabinet on 4th March and 13th May 2014.

RESOLVED that the Cabinet Member (Education):

- 1. Determined the co-ordinated admissions scheme for primary, infant and junior schools in Coventry for 2015/16 and the admission policy for community and voluntary controlled primary, infant and junior schools for 2015/16, as set out in Appendix 1 to the report.
- 2. Determined the co-ordinated admissions scheme for secondary schools in Coventry for 2015/16, as set out in Appendix 2 to the report.

36. Appointments to the Coventry Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education

The Cabinet Member considered a report of the Director of Education and Inclusion which sought the approval to the appointments of a representative of the Sikh faith (Group 2) and the National Association of Headteachers (NAHT) (Group 3) to the Coventry Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education (SACRE).

SACRE was established under the Education Reform Act 1988 and comprised of four groups: a Church of England group (Group 1); a group representing other Christian denominations and other Faiths which reflect the principal religious traditions in the area (Group 2); a group representing teachers (Group 3) and a groups representing the City Council (Group 4).

The City Council is responsible for appointing members to the 4 statutory Groups.

The purpose of the Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education is to advise the Local Authority on matters concerning religious education in community schools and the religious education provision to be made in accordance with an Agreed Syllabus. These matters may include methods of teaching, training for teachers and, choice of materials and resources.

RESOLVED that the Cabinet Member (Education):

- 1. Approves the appointment of Bimla Paul to Group 2 of the Coventry Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education for a period of four years as a representative of the Sikh faith.
- 2. Approves the appointment of Angela Dawes to Group 3 of the Coventry Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education for a period of four years as a representative of the National Association of Headteachers (NAHT).

37. Appointment of Authority Governors

RESOLVED that, having met the Local Authority criteria for the appointment of Local Authority school governors, the 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
Mr A East	Grangehurst Primary School	10 March 2018

Authority Governor: Re-Appointments

Name	School	Term of Office
Mr K Eales	Cardinal Wiseman Catholic School	21 April 2018
Mr R Perry	Lyng Hall School	30 March 2018
Councillor H Noonan	Whitley Abbey Primary School	1 April 2018

38. Outstanding Issues

There were no outstanding issues.

39. Any Other Items of Public Business

There were no other items of public business.

(Meeting closed at 2.35 pm)