Coventry City Council Minutes of the Meeting of Cabinet Member (Education) held at 1.00 pm on Friday, 3 October 2014

Present:

Members: Councillor D Kershaw (Cabinet Member)

Employees (by Directorate):

People R Sugars, D Wallis, P Weston

Resources M Salmon

Apologies: Councillor J Blundell (Shadow Cabinet Member)

Councillor D Chater (Deputy Cabinet Member)

Public Business

7. Declarations of Interest

There were no disclosable pecuniary interests

8. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 16th July 2014 were agreed and signed as a true record. There were no matters arising.

9. Cessation of Dol y Moch Remissions Budget Contributions from the Council

The Cabinet Member considered a report of the Executive Director, People that sought approval to the cessation of Dol y Moch Remissions Budget Contributions from the City Council.

The 1996 Education Act set out the law on charging for school activities. This applied to schools maintained by local authorities in England and academies (including free schools, studio schools and UTCs). All schools were required to have charging and remissions policies, which complied with the guidance and were approved by Governors.

In relation to residential trips, parents who were in receipt of certain benefits (as set out in the DFE Guidance: Charging for School Activities, November 2013) were exempt from paying the board and lodging costs.

For many years the Council had subsidised schools to enable more deprived or vulnerable pupils to participate in activities at the Dol y Moch residential centre through the remissions budget. The City Council did not fund any other remissions for other activities. With the advent of pupil premium, schools now had access to funding to support vulnerable pupils, therefore it was proposed to cease this funding with effect from April 2015.

RESOLVED that the Cabinet Member (Education) approves the cessation of the Dol y Moch remissions funding from the City Council from April 2015.

10. Appointment of Authority Governors

RESOLVED that, having met the Local Authority criteria for the appointment of Local Authority Governors, Cabinet Member (Education) approves the appointment of the persons listed below for the schools and terms of office indicated:-

Authority Governor: New Appointments

Name	School	Term of Office
Mr William Holdforth	Allesley Hall Primary	29 September 2018
Mrs Jackie Brook	Leigh Church of England Primary	29 September 2018
Mr Hitesh Mehta	St Thomas More Catholic Primary	29 September 2018
Mrs Karen Rossiter	St Elizabeth's Catholic Primary	29 September 2018

11. Outstanding Issues

The Cabinet Member noted a report of the Executive Director, Resources that contained a list of outstanding issues and summarised the current position in respect of the item.

12. Any Other Items of Public Business

There were no other items of public business.

(Meeting closed at 1.10 pm)