

MINUTES of a meeting of the **CABINET MEMBER - CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE** held on 14 November 2013 at County Hall, Matlock.

PRESENT

Councillor K Gillott (in the Chair)

Also in attendance was Councillor B Lewis.

45/13 **MINUTES** **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 1 October 2013 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Cabinet Member.

46/13 **NEW INSTRUMENTS OF GOVERNMENT** Under the School Governance (Constitution) (England) Regulations 2012 the following Governing Bodies had requested an amendment to their Instrument of Government.

RESOLVED (1) that the Instrument of Government for Abercrombie Community Primary School be amended to provide for a new Governing Body of 12 members comprising 5 parents, 1 Local Authority, 1 Staff, 1 Headteacher and 4 co-opted governors;

(2) that the Instrument of Government for Aldercar Infant and Nursery School be amended to provide for a new Governing Body of 10 members comprising 3 parents, 1 Local Authority, 1 Staff, 1 Headteacher and 4 co-opted governors;

(3) that the Instrument of Government for Church Broughton CE Controlled Primary School be amended to provide for a new Governing Body of 11 members comprising 3 parents, 1 Local Authority, 1 Staff, 1 Headteacher, 2 Foundation and 3 co-opted governors; and.

(4) that the Instrument of Government for Edale CE Voluntary Controlled Primary School be amended to provide for a new Governing Body of 11 members comprising 3 parents, 1 Local Authority, 1 Staff, 1 Headteacher, 2 Foundation and 3 co-opted governors.

47/13 **HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT – HAZARDOUS ROUTES**

The cabinet member was asked to consider a request for a home to school route to be declared 'hazardous' for the purpose of establishing an eligibility to free transport within the statutory walking distances.

Officers undertook an assessment of the route between New Houghton and Shirebrook Academy via Stoney Houghton. The assessment indicated

that there was no footway between New Houghton and Stoney Houghton and no footway between Stoney Houghton and Common Lane (for Shirebrook Academy).

Both roads were narrow with limited verge and restricted visibility. The officer view was that the route met the criteria for designation as hazardous for the purposes of home to school transport.

RESOLVED that the route from New Houghton to Shirebrook Academy via Stoney Houghton be declared as hazardous for the purposes of entitlement to free transport to and from the school

48/13 APPOINTMENT OF SCHOOL GOVERNORS RESOLVED that the following persons be appointed to serve as LA Governors on school Governing Bodies

Amber Valley

M Long
C Lightfoot
M Fowler

Denby Free CE VA Primary School
Belper Long Row School
Aldercar Infant & Nursery School

Boslover

D Gamble

C Gilfillan
M Davis
P Liversidge

Anthony Bek Community Primary School
Creswell Junior School
The Green Infant School
Palterton Primary School

Chesterfield

J Swift

Inkersall Primary School

Derbyshire Dales

C Bryan
J Gregory
C Dathan

Doveridge Primary School
Litton CE Primary School
Lady Manners School

Erewash

A Henshaw

Charlotte Nursery & Infant School

North East

B Ridgway

Renishaw Primary School

South Derbyshire

S Moody

Springfield Junior School

49/13 REPORTING OF BUILDING CONTRACTS RESOLVED to note the list of recent building contracts as detailed in the appendix to the Strategic Director's report.

50/13 STATUTORY GUIDANCE ON THE PARTICIPATION OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN EDUCATION EMPLOYMENT OR TRAINING The Cabinet Member was informed that the 'Raising of the Participation Age' (RPA) was written into the Education and Skills Act 2008, with the intention that the minimum age at which young people in England could leave education should increase from 16 to 18. From 1 August 2013, we will enter the first phase of RPA which required all young people at the end of KS4 to continue to participate in some form of education and/or training until the end of the academic year in which they turn 17. By 2015 this would increase to at least the young person's 18th birthday or upon achievement of level 3; whichever was sooner.

At the same time, RPA would be underpinned by a new post 16 funding methodology and programmes of study which arose from the recommendations contained within Alison Wolf's review on vocational education published in March 2011. Professor Wolf's review championed vocational education as vital for the economy and providing many young people with a route into employment and further education. This had since been followed up with the introduction of a further new programme called 'Traineeships' which was due to commence at the start of the new academic year. The purpose of the Traineeships programme was to provide a pre-entry route into apprenticeships or employment with training.

Significant progress had been made this year in completing many of the activities set out in the original RPA plan, which was appended to the Strategic Director's report

The continuation of the work initiated since April 2012 and the delivery of new strands of work would depend upon the outcomes of a number of strategic reviews being undertaken by the LA. These reviews include the work of the Multi-Agency Teams, Careers Education and guidance delivery teams. Wherever possible, RPA systems are being embedded across the locality areas.

RESOLVED (1) to approve the purchase of peer support from Sheffield City LA and EET tracking resource;

(2) to approve approaching the market to procure a 'Search and Apply' system;

(3) to approve the allocation of the budget to Services for Teenagers for the new online Search and Apply system; and

(4) to note that funding for the Sheffield City Peer Support work, EET tracking and the first year of the Search and Apply system was already in place following savings made through the cessation of another contract.

51/13 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC RESOLVED that the public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the remaining items on the agenda to avoid the disclosure of the kind of exempt information detailed in the following summary of proceedings:-

SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS CONDUCTED AFTER THE PUBLIC WERE EXCLUDED FROM THE MEETING

- (1) To confirm the exempt minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet Member – Children and Young People held on 1 October 2013.
- (2) To consider the report of the Strategic Director for Children and Younger Adults on Catering Service Cashless Systems and On –Line Payments (contains information relating to financial or the business affairs of any particular person (including the Authority holding that information)
- (3) To consider the report of the Strategic Director for Children and Younger Adults on Mr & Mrs S – Request for financial assistance for an Adapted Vehicle (contains information which is likely to reveal the identity of any individual).
- (4) To consider the report of the Strategic Director for Children and Younger Adults on Mr & Mrs P – Request for financial assistance with Adaptations to home (contains information which is likely to reveal the identity of any individual).
- (5) To consider the report of the Strategic Director for Children and Younger Adults on Mr & Mrs B – Request for financial assistance with Adaptations to home (contains information which is likely to reveal the identity of any individual).
- (6) To consider the report of the Strategic Director for Children and Younger Adults on Financial Assistance towards Adaptations to home - FR (contains information which is likely to reveal the identity of any individual).

