

MINUTES of a meeting of the **CABINET MEMBER – YOUNG PEOPLE** held on 5 September 2017 at County Hall, Matlock.

PRESENT

Councillor A Dale (in the Chair)

16/17 **MINUTES RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 1 August be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Cabinet Member.

17/17 **NEW INSTRUMENTS OF GOVERNMENT** Under the School Governance (Constitution) (England) Regulations 2012; proposals had been received from school Governing Bodies for an amendment to their Instrument of Government.

RESOLVED that approval be given for new Instruments of Government to be made for the ten schools detailed in the Director of Legal Services' report.

18/17 **CHESTERFIELD SCHOOLS FOUNDATION ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS FOR 2015-16** (In considering this report, the Cabinet Member was acting on behalf of the County Council as Trustee of the Charity).

The Cabinet Member was asked to approve the Chesterfield Schools Foundation Trustee's Annual Report and Accounts for the financial year ending March 2016, which were appended to the Director of Legal Services Report. As the Charity no longer has an annual income in excess of £25,000 the accounts are not required to be independent.

The Charity was a charitable trust governed by the provisions of a Charity Commission Scheme dated 31 July 2002. The Scheme amalgamated the assets and funds of the former Chesterfield School Charity and the prize funds of the former St. Helena School, Chesterfield. Derbyshire County Council held on trust for the Charity, land at Chesterfield forming the major part of the Brookfield Community School site. The Council also held additional property on trust for the Charity – Hurst House on Abercrombie Street in Chesterfield, which was until July 2014 leased to the Workers Educational Association (WEA) and run as a community education centre. That property was currently empty and was the subject of a separate exempt report to the Cabinet Member at this meeting. A third property of the Trust, the dining room of the former St Helena School, Chesterfield, was sold in 2011.

In addition to land held by the Charity, at the end of the 2015/2016 financial year the Charity's cash fund was £299,962. The Charity's cash fund included original endowments of some of the charities now comprised in the Chesterfield Schools Foundation, as well as £50,000 from the proceeds of the 2011 sale of the dining room of the former St Helena School. The objects of the Charity were to promote the education both of students of secondary schools and former students (under the age of 25 years) of secondary schools, in the former Borough of Chesterfield (as it existed prior to re-organisation in 1974).

The schools eligible to benefit from the Charity (those within the area of the former Borough of Chesterfield) are:

- _ Brookfield Community School
- _ Hasland Hall Community School
- _ Meadows Community School
- _ Newbold Community School
- _ Parkside Community School
- _ St. Mary's Catholic High School

The Charity Commission Scheme provides for the Council to exercise certain powers in furtherance of the objects of the Charity including the making of rules regarding the making of awards by the Charity. No such rules have been made by the Trustee.

Since the WEA vacated Hurst House, the income of the Charity has reduced significantly. As a registered charity with a gross income of less than £25,000 per annum, the Charity is not required to submit an annual report, including a statement of accounts, to the Charity Commission. However the Charity is still required to produce an annual report and accounts.

During 2015/16, the Trustee approved a grant of £41,300 to be made to the Chesterfield and Bolsover Learning Community to continue and expand an existing project. The purpose of the funding is to employ a co-ordinator for the Jigsaw Project, which delivers alternative technical qualifications for students aged 14 to 16 who would otherwise be at risk of exclusion. Half of the grant was paid during 2015/16, the remaining £20,650 was payable during 2016/17.

RESOLVED to approve the 2015/16 Trustee's Annual Report and Accounts for the Chesterfield Schools Foundation.

19/17 CONFIRMATION OF NOMINATIONS OF SCHOOL RESOLVED
to approve the nomination of the following persons to serve as Local Authority Governors under the School Governance (Constitution) (England) Regulations 2012:-

F Atkinson – Belper School and Sixth Form Centre
T Slack – Street Lane Primary School

M Orton - St Johns CE (VC) Primary School
C Houdsen – Riddings Junior School
E Tidd – Norbriggs Primary School
P Birbeck – Hulland CE Primary School
M Churm – Anthony Gell School
M Matthews - The Dales Federation
M Taylor – Longstone CE (VA) Primary School
M Titterton - The Dales Federation
N Wright – Eyam CE Primary School
F Phillips – Chaucer Infant & Nursery School
J Scott – Hope Primary School
B Wright - Sharley Park Community Primary School
V Buxton – Ashover Primary School
P Dunn – The William Allitt School
W Gage - Long Lane CE Primary School
D McIntosh - St Georges CE Primary School
K Perks – Repton Primary School
M Tyler – Newton Solney CE (VA) Infant School
V Graham - Aston on Trent Primary School

20/17 REVENUE OUT-TURN 2016/17 – CHILDRENS SERVICES

The Cabinet Member was informed of the final revenue out-turn position for 2016/17 for the Children's Services department.

Identified within the Strategic Director's report were the significant variations of expenditure from the budget with an assessment of the impact of growth items approved as part of the 2016/17 budget settlement.

Progress was received against achievement of budget reductions and transfers to and from reserves was noted.

Also noted was the expected impact of the 2016/17 out-turn on future years and any actions proposed.

The final out-turn of the 2016/17 Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) was also reported.

Attached at Appendix 1 to the report was a summary statement setting out the final controllable out-turn position for Children's Services (CS) for 2016/17.

Net controllable expenditure in 2015/16 was £103.408 million compared with a budget of £97.810 million after transfers to and from reserves, resulting in a controllable overspend of £5.598 million. The main variances on controllable expenditure were itemised in the report.

The spending on Schools' Budget financed by the Dedicated Schools Grant was £434.407 million compared with in-year grant income of £429.096

million, and use of previous years grant income of £5.159 million a net overspend of £0.152 million.

RESOLVED (1) that the out-turn position, variations of expenditure from budget, impact of 2016/17 growth allocations and progress in achieving budget reductions be noted;

(2) to note the transfers to and from reserves outlined in the Strategic Directors report;

(3) to note the expected impact of the 2016/17 outturn on future years and planned actions.

(4) to note the final outturn of the 2016/17 Dedicated Schools Grant.

21/17 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’s Services held on 7 February 2017 (contains exempt information).
- (2) To consider the exempt report of the Strategic Director for Children’s Services on School Staff Redundancies (contains information which is likely to reveal the identity of any individual)
- (3) To consider the exempt report of the Strategic Director for Children’s Services on Childrens Services Capital Programme 2017-18 – Schools Access Initiative (contains information which is likely to reveal the identity of any individual)
- (4) To consider the exempt report of the Strategic Director for Corporate Resources on Chesterfield Schools Foundation - Commissioning of Independent Surveyor (contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)