EXECUTIVE SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE LIFELONG LEARNING COMMITTEE

Minute of Meeting of the Executive Sub-Committee of the Lifelong Learning Committee held virtually on Monday 2 November 2020 at 9.30am.

Present: Councillors C Shiers, J Duff, X McDade, J Rebbeck and F Sarwar.

In Attendance: S Johnston, Head of Education and Learning, J Chiles, G Doogan, B Martin-Scott; L Richards, A Carr, D Henderson, G Knox, A Lemon, F Mackay, D MacLeod, D Macluskey, K Ramsay, S Ross, F Robertson, N Thomson, L Verdot, A Burns, J Campbell, J Savage and R Monro (all Education and Children's Services) and C Irons (Corporate and Democratic Services).

Also in Attendance: A Brown, M Pasternak, L McGuigan and B Parker (all Corporate and Democratic Services)

Councillor C Shiers, Convener, Presiding.

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

The Convener welcomed all those present to the meeting. There were no apologies for absence.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made in terms of the Councillors' Code of Conduct.

3. MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minute of meeting of the Executive Sub-Committee of the Lifelong Learning Committee of 27 January 2020 was submitted, approved as a correct record and authorised for signature.

S Johnston advised the new senior officer from Education Scotland had been invited to attend a future meeting of the sub-committee.

4. STANDARDS AND QUALITY IN SCHOOLS, LEARNING COMMUNITIES AND PRE-SCHOOL CENTRES/DAY CARE OF CHILDREN

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Education and Children's Services) (20/205), setting out the key findings following inspections of pre-school centres and schools undertaken by Education Scotland and, by exception, Care Inspectorate inspections on the day care of children since the Executive Sub-Committee of Lifelong Learning Committee on 27 January 2020.

It was noted that appendices 3 and 4 to Report 20/205 had been updated by appendices 6 and 7 to Report 20/206.

It was noted the Service Manager, Quality Improvement Officer and Head Teacher for both schools were in attendance.

Resolved:

Having heard from the relevant officers on the key findings of the inspection and following consideration and questions from the sub-committee the reports as appended to Report 20/205 be noted as follows:

- (a) Braco Primary School and Nursery Class (Appendix 1)
- (b) Perth Grammar School (Appendix 2)

5. STANDARDS AND QUALITY IN SCHOOLS, LEARNING COMMUNITIES AND PRE-SCHOOL CENTRES/DAY CARE OF CHILDREN

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Education and Children's Services) (20/206) setting out the key findings following inspections of early learning and childcare settings and schools undertaken by Education Scotland and, by exception, Care Inspectorate inspections on the day care of children since the previous report (Report 20/205) which covered inspections up to March 2020.

It was noted the Service Manager, Quality Improvement Officer and Head Teacher for each school were in attendance.

THERE WAS A RECESS DURING CONSIDERATION OF THIS ITEM AND THE MEETING RECONVENED AT 11.00AM.

Resolved:

- (i) Having heard from the relevant officers on the key findings of the inspection and following consideration and questions from the sub-committee, the reports as appended to Report 20/206 be noted as follows:
 - (a) Letham Primary School and Nursery Class (known as Early Childhood Centre) (Appendix 1)
 - (b) Fairview School and Nursery Class (Appendix 2)
 - (c) North Muirton Primary School and Nursery Class (Appendix 3)
 - (d) St Madoes Primary School and Nursery Class (Appendix 4)
 - (e) Inchture Primary School and Nursery Class (Appendix 5)
 - (f) Summary of Education Scotland Inspections (Appendix 6)
 - (g) Summary of Care Inspectorate Day Care of Children Inspections (Appendix 7)
- (ii) It be noted that the Care Inspectorate Senior representative for Perth and Kinross had been invited to a future meeting to give a presentation on the National Care Standard.

6. INSPECTION OF SERVICES FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE BY THE CARE INSPECTORATE

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Education and Children's Services) (20/207) on the key findings following the unannounced inspection of the Council's Woodlea Cottage which was carried out and published in March 2020 by the Care Inspectorate.

It was noted the Service Manager and Senior Practitioner were in attendance.

Resolved:

Having heard from the relevant officers on the key findings of the inspection and following consideration and questions from the sub-committee, the report as appended to Report 20/207, be noted.