

EXECUTIVE SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE LEARNING AND FAMILIES COMMITTEE

Minute of Meeting of the Executive Sub-Committee of the Learning and Families Committee held virtually on Monday 15 May 2023 at 1.00pm.

Present: Councillors J Rebbeck, S Carr, M Frampton, L Barrett, D Cuthbert, N Khogali and Councillor C Shiers.

In Attendance: S Johnston, Head of Education and Learning, H Robertson, B Martin-Scott, D McCluskey, J Chiles, G Doogan, G Knox, S Cowmeadow (all Education and Children's Services) and D Williams, M Pasternak, and R Ramsay (Corporate and Democratic Services).

Councillor J Rebbeck, 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 Learning and Families of 20 March 2023 was submitted, approved as a correct record, and authorised for signature.

4. EDUCATION REFORM IN SCOTLAND CONSULTATIONS UPDATE

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Education and Children's Services) (23/142) (1) providing the Executive Sub-Committee of the Learning and Families Committee with an update on the professional responses provided thus far on aspects of the education reform activity currently underway, and also (2) providing some detail of how education officers, children and young people, parents and school staff are engaging with the range of consultations and activities which are being undertaken relating to the education reform agenda.

Councillor L Barrett proposed that the Committee second recommendation in Report 23/142, be removed.

Resolved:

The responses provided on the National Discussion, and Phases One, Two and Three of the Hayward Review; be noted.

Councillor C Shiers registered her dissent at this decision.

5. SUMMARY REPORT ON CARE INSPECTORATE AND EDUCATION SCOTLAND INSPECTIONS

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Education and Children's Services) (23/117) (1) providing an overview of the performance of Education and Children's Services inspected and reported over the past year by the Care Inspectorate and Education Scotland, since the previous report of this type in 2022, and (2) setting out the Service's approach to implementing improvement actions arising out of inspections, as well as the wider school improvement framework.

Resolved:

The contents of the report 23/117, be noted.

6. 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) (23/141) setting out the key findings following inspections of schools and nurseries by Education Scotland/HM Inspectors of Education (HMIE) and of early learning and childcare (ELC) settings undertaken by the Care Inspectorate in the day care of children. Reporting is of inspections reported since the Executive Sub-Committee of Learning & Families Committee on 20 March 2023.

Resolved:

The contents of the report 23/141, be noted.