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DEVON EDUCATION FORUM

Wednesday 25 June 2014

A meeting of the Devon Education Forum will be held on the above date at **10am at County Hall, Exeter** to consider the following matters.

P NORREY
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

***The meeting will be followed by a light buffet lunch.
It would be helpful if members were to confirm their attendance***

AGENDA

PART I – OPEN COMMITTEE

1. Apologies
2. Minutes of the meeting held on 19 March 2014 attached (Page 1).
3. Items Requiring Urgent Attention

Items which in the opinion of the Chairman should be considered at the meeting as matters of urgency.

4. Membership
5. Matters Arising from the Last Meeting and Report back on Issues Raised with Cabinet

To consider any matters arising from the last meeting where not otherwise covered on this agenda and to report on items considered at the Cabinet.

A: SPECIFIC AGENDA ITEMS

ITEMS FOR DECISION

10.10am

6. Universal Infant Free School Meals and Head of Service Update

Report of the Head of Highways, Capital Development & Waste (DEF/14/10), attached (Page 7).

10.30am

7. Finance Update

Report of the County Treasurer (DEF/14/08), attached (Page 12).

ITEMS FOR DEBATE AND INFORMATION

10.50am

8. Standards and Performance of Schools (By Keystage)(minute 689)

Head of School Effectiveness & Learning, Babcock LDP to report.

Report to People Scrutiny, 3 April 2014 (EL/14/04), attached for information (Page 30).

Also available at

http://www.devon.gov.uk/index/councildemocracy/decision_making/cma/cma_report.htm?cma_doc=report_el144.html

Scrutiny and Cabinet Minutes:-

Cabinet 9.4.14

***174 Minutes**

(Councillor Connett attended in accordance with Standing Order 25(2) and spoke to this item).

*It was **MOVED** by Councillor Hart, **SECONDED** by Councillor Clatworthy, and*

***RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Devon Education Forum held on 19 March 2014 be noted and the Forum be asked to consider the issues surrounding attainment levels at KS4, particularly for vulnerable groups and children in care.*

People's Scrutiny minute 3.4.14

50 Devon Education Performance 2013

The Committee received the report of the Head of Education and Learning on the education performance at all Key Stages for Devon in 2013, the comparison of Devon's performance with similar authorities and national data and the priorities for improvement.

The Head of Service, in responding to matters raised or specific questions posed by Members stated:-

it was an improving picture but there were still areas where improvements could be achieved particularly with KS4, vulnerable groups and children in care

research was to be carried out into why there is drop in attainment between KS2 and KS4

virtual Schools practice were being reviewed

there needed to be a sharper focus on Personal Education Plans, placement stability, early intervention/support into schools, designated tutors/teachers

following the changes in Ofsted rules, schools that were classed as satisfactory last year were now described as requires improvement

It was **MOVED** by Councillor Randall Johnson, **SECONDED** by Councillor Hannaford
and

RESOLVED that a Task Group be formed on Educational Outcomes with particular focus on Children in Care.

11.10am

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Education of Children in Care

Report of the Head of Education & Learning (DEF/14/09), attached (Page 33).

11.25am

10. Devon Education Fund Grants

Report by Babcock LDP (DEF/14/11), attached (Page 35).

11.45am

11.

Children's Centre Review

Report of the Head of Education & Learning (DEF/14/13), attached (Page 39).

12.05pm

12.

Financial Intervention Panel (FIPS) Annual Report 2013-14

Report of the County Treasurer (DEF/14/14), attached (Page 41).

12.20pm

13. Co-commissioning a Service for Emotional, Psychological and Social Wellbeing in Children and Young People in Devon - Task and Finish Group

Minutes of the meeting held on 20 May 2014 for information. Copies enclosed separately for members.

B: STANDARD AGENDA ITEMS

ITEMS FOR DEBATE AND INFORMATION

12.30pm

14. Standing (and other) Groups

(a) To review action for the Forum from its groups and to receive minutes:-

(i) School Finance Group

Minutes of the meeting held on 6 June 2014, attached (Page 45).

Also available at

<http://www.devon.gov.uk/index/learningschools/schoolsforum/schoolsfundinggroup.htm>

(ii) Schools Organisation, Capital and Admissions Forum
(replacing Schools Organisation and Policy Forum and the Local Admissions Forum)

Minutes of the meeting held on 10 June 2014, attached (Page 53).

Also available at

<http://www.devon.gov.uk/index/learningschools/schoolsforum/soca.htm>

(b) Representations and progress from various standing and task & finish groups

Nil.

(c) Minutes for information
14-19 Strategic Leadership Group

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15. Schools and Academies Elections 2014 (1.9.14 – 31.8.18)

To note for information, that following consultation with DEF members (by 3 April 2014), (a) the annual review of proportionality for schools and academies members remained unchanged and (b) there was a return to 4 yearly appointments (as amended in the DEF constitution), to assist with membership continuity and help with the administration of the elections process by all groups.

The elections process was now underway by the associations, for completion before the end of this summer term.

16. Correspondence

17. Dates of Future Meetings

Calendared meetings - Meetings to commence at 10am at County Hall, Exeter (unless otherwise indicated)

Wed 1 October 2014

Wed 21 January 2015

Wed 18 March 2015

12.40pm *C L O S E*

VOTING (see below)

FAILED AMENDMENTS AND VOTING FIGURES MAY BE RECORDED WHERE REQUESTED BY AN ASSOCIATION OR SINGLE MEMBER REPRESENTATIVE (for contentious issues)

Voting Representatives are Schools, Academies and Non-Schools Members, excepting 2012 Schools Forums Regulations restrict the voting arrangements by only allowing Schools and Academy members and the PVI private, voluntary and independent sector early years to vote on the funding formula. Additionally for de-delegation matters only the relevant maintained schools members may vote.

Coloured voting cards for restricted voting:-
Schools members (maintained) primary - gold
Schools members (maintained) secondary - beige
Academies – blue
Special, Nursery, PRU – pink
PVI - orange

FORMAL OBSERVERS, ATTENDEES AND ANY SUBSTITUTE MEMBER ATTENDING IN ADDITION TO THEIR RESPECTIVE FULL MEMBER ARE EXEMPT FROM VOTING

MEMBERS ARE REQUESTED TO SIGN THE ATTENDANCE REGISTER

The proceedings of this meeting may be recorded for broadcasting on the schools forum website

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