

LEGAL AND DEMOCRATIC SERVICES

COMMITTEE DECISION SHEET

EDUCATION AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES COMMITTEE - THURSDAY, 26 JANUARY 2017

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	Item Title	Committee Decision	Services Required to take action	Officer to Action
1.1	<u>Presentation and Q&A session with the Imagineers from the Children's Parliament Project</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> to thank the Imagineers from the Children's Parliament project for their presentation and attendance.		
1.2	<u>Imagining Aberdeen</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> to note the following views and requests of children on what key actions adults and services should take: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tell children you love them • Be kind to us • Give us support when we need it • All children need enough to eat • School should be a joyful place • Families should spend time together • There should be enough trees and flowers everywhere • Everyone need to be respected • Remember we love to play • We all need to have our say at home and at school • No-one should feel left out or 	Education and Children's Service	A Griffiths/M Jolly

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		<p>unwanted</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All playgrounds and parks should be dog-poo free • All families need to live in a lovely street with nice neighbours. 		
2.1	<u>Aberdeen International Youth Festival/ Castlegate Arts Ltd</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u> to instruct officers to submit a report to the Council meeting on 15 March 2017 detailing both (1) the current position regarding the proposal to dissolve the existing Aberdeen International Youth Festival and incorporate it within Castlegate Arts Ltd, and (2) the arrangements for AIYF should it not be incorporated within Castlegate Arts Ltd.</p>	<p>Education and Children's Service</p> <p>M Orchard – For information</p>	E Couperwhite/L Thomson
3.1	<u>Minute of the Meeting of 17 November 2016 - for approval</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u> to approve the minute as a correct record.</p>	Education and Children's Service	
4.1	<u>Committee Business Statement</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>(i) to delete items 1 (PVG check – cross service recruitment procedures) and 7 (Education and Children's Services Performance) subject to the decisions taken later on the agenda; and</p> <p>(ii) to otherwise note the updates contained therein.</p>	Committee Services	A Swanson
6.1	<u>2016/17 General Fund Revenue and Capital Budget Monitoring 2016/17</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>(i) to note the report and the information on management action and risks contained therein;</p> <p>(ii) to note that feedback from escorts and schools regarding the escort procedure following the review of escorts would be included in the report</p>	Education and Children's Service	H Shanks

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		<p>(iii) on this matter to be considered at the Committee's meeting on 1 June 2017; to request the Head of Policy, Performance and Resources, by way of email, to advise the Committee of the total donations received in respect of the art gallery redevelopment, as well as the donations pledged but not yet received; and</p> <p>(iv) to request the Head of Children's Services and Head of Finance, by way of email, to provide the Committee with a breakdown of the projected variance for administration costs in the Head of Children's Services budget.</p>	<p>Education and Children's Service</p> <p>Education and Children's Service</p>	<p>E Couperwhite</p> <p>B Oxley/B Dow</p>
6.2	<p><u>Education and Children's Services Directorate Performance Report</u></p>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>(i) to note and approve the standing Education and Children's Services Directorate performance reported for the quarter 2 period to 30 September 2016 attached at appendices A and B;</p> <p>(ii) in response to the percentage of children with an allocated social worker to request a full report from the Chief Social Work Officer and Head of Children's Services to the next cycle of the Committee detailing the challenges both in implementation of the processes and on any additional support and assistance needed by Social Workers to meet the obligations imposed on them by statute and on delivering on our own key outcomes and values, and that this report also include the current numbers of children</p>	<p>Education and Children's Service</p> <p>Education and Children's Service</p>	<p>G Gorman/E Couperwhite</p> <p>B Oxley</p>

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		<p>allocated to individual social workers through the reclaiming social work model;</p> <p>(iii) to note that the number of late committee reports would be included in future performance reports considered by the Committee;</p> <p>(iv) to note that the Head of Policy, Performance and Resources would review the method for reporting the measure for vacancies rate – funded vacancies compared to funded establishment – Education and Children’s Services; and</p> <p>(v) to note that the Head of Policy, Performance and Resources would review the target for the percentage of positive informal inspections of early learning and education establishments per academic year.</p>	<p>Education and Children’s Service</p> <p>Education and Children’s Service</p> <p>Education and Children’s Service</p>	<p>E Couperwhite/A Paterson</p> <p>E Couperwhite/A Paterson</p> <p>E Couperwhite/A Paterson</p>
6.3	<p><u>Education and Children's Services 2012-2016 Key Outcomes</u></p>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>(i) to note the work of the Directorate and the content of the Education and Children’s Services Directorate 2012-2016 key progress report (attached at Appendix A) and overview of achievements, awards and recognition attained through the Directorate across the period, attached at Appendix B;</p> <p>(ii) to request the Head of Policy, Performance and Resources, by way of email, to advise the Committee of the initial budget allocation for each of the projects in the capital investment programme 2012-2020; and</p>	<p>Education and Children’s Service</p> <p>Education and Children’s Service</p>	<p>G Gorman</p> <p>E Couperwhite</p>

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		(iii) to request the Head of Finance, by way of email, to advise the Committee of the where the monies underwritten by the Council in respect of the art gallery redevelopment was profiled in the Council's budget.	Finance	S Whyte/B Dow
6.4	<u>Recruitment and Selection Procedures for Teachers: Bi-Annual Update</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>(i) to agree that the existing arrangements which allowed teaching staff to be employed prior to the PVG Disclosure procedures being completed and a PVG form being received by the Council be stood down with immediate effect;</p> <p>(ii) to agree that, with immediate effect, all new employees appointed to teaching posts would not take up employment with the Council until a PVG form had been received and approved by the appropriate officer(s), which was in line with the corporate policy; and</p> <p>(iii) to otherwise note the content of this report.</p>	Education and Children's Service	E Couperwhite
7.1	<u>Statutory Consultation - Consultation Reports on the proposals to remove an area of dual school zoning for Fernielea School and Hazlehead School, and to make changes to the primary and secondary school zones in the vicinity of a new housing development at Maidenraig in Aberdeen</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>to agree to implement the following proposals:</p> <p>(i) for the Fernielea School and Hazlehead School rezoning proposal, to remove an area of dual school zoning for Fernielea School and Hazlehead School, and to include this area within the zone for Hazlehead School only, from 1 August 2017; and</p> <p>(ii) for the Maidenraig rezoning proposal,</p>	Education and Children's Service	E Couperwhite/A Jones

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		to adjust the school zone boundaries for Fernielea School, Kingswells School, Hazlehead Academy and the new Countesswells secondary school, to accommodate the new housing development at Maidencraig, with effect from 1 August 2017.		
7.2	<u>Out of School Care Policy and Good Practice Guidelines</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) to approve the revised and updated Out of School Care Policy and Good Practice Guidelines (November 2016); (ii) to instruct officers to disseminate the revised and updated policy widely to all out of school care partners across the city; and (iii) to instruct officers to establish a process for monitoring the completion and review of Out of School Care Policy Agreements. 	Education and Children's Service	A Griffiths/L Beaton
7.3	<u>Commemorative Plaques</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) to note that the non standard plaque for James Clerk Maxwell would be replaced with a round commemorative plaque; (ii) to approve the current nominations for new commemorative plaques; (iii) to instruct officers to proceed with these nominations, pending relevant permission and funding guarantees; (iv) to instruct officers to advise the Committee, by way of email, (1) of any Education and Children's Service expenditure to be incurred by the Council for any of the plaque applications detailed in the report; and 	Education and Children's Service	J Brown

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		(2) that the plaque for Nan Shepherd would be located at 503 North Deeside Road, Cults.		
8.1	<u>Draft Children's Services Plan 2017-2020</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>(i) note the content of the draft Aberdeen City Integrated Children's Services Plan 2017-2020 and approve release for formal consultation;</p> <p>(ii) to note that it was a statutory requirement that the final Aberdeen City Integrated Children's Services Plan 2017-2020 be completed before 1 April 2017;</p> <p>(iii) note that Elected Members would have further opportunity to provide feedback on the plan's content and development as part of the formal consultation; and</p> <p>(iv) note that the finished Children's Services Plan would be presented to full council on the 21 June 2017.</p>	Education and Children's Service	B Oxley/J Simpson
8.2	<u>Self-Directed Support Progress and Assurance Report</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>to note the content and future focus of the report as outlined at section 5.4 of the report.</p>	Health and Social Care Partnership	G Clarke

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