

**GOVERNANCE
COMMITTEE DECISION SHEET**

EDUCATION OPERATIONAL DELIVERY COMMITTEE - THURSDAY, 16 MAY 2019

	Item Title	Committee Decision	Function Required to take action	Officer to Action
1	<u>Minute of Previous Meeting of 14 March 2019</u>	The Committee resolved:- to approve the minute as a correct record.	N/A	N/A
2	<u>Committee Business Planner</u>	The Committee resolved:- to note the planner.	N/A	N/A
3	<u>Annual Committee Effectiveness Report - GOV/19/237</u>	The Committee resolved:- (i) in response to the query in respect of section 6.7 of the annual report (Reports and Committee Decisions) and the recording of decisions taken by the Education Operational Delivery Committee which were then referred to other Committees, to note that this was the initial annual report for Committee and therefore any feedback in respect of the format and content would be considered when presenting the reports in future years; and (ii) to otherwise note the annual report.	Governance	S Dunsmuir
4	<u>Education Improvement Journey</u>	The Committee resolved:- (i) to thank officers for the work put in to the report; (ii) in respect of 3.2.13 in the report (recruitment challenges), to note that it was hoped that the situation would have improved by August 2019, and to note that officers would circulate a service update to Members after August to provide an update on the situation;	Integrated Children's & Family Services Business Intelligence & Performance Management	E Sheppard R Stewart

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iii) in respect of 3.4.7 in the report (period poverty) to note that there was to be an evaluation of the project and that officers would circulate a service update to Members thereafter; (iv) to note the progress made in delivering on the improvements outlined in the Aberdeen City National Improvement Framework Plan 2018/2019; (v) to note the analysis of attainment data contained within Appendix A; and (vi) to instruct the Chief Operating Officer to continue to track progress in order to fully evaluate the impact of the National Improvement Framework Plan to the Committee in September 2019. 		
5	<u>School Holiday Pattern - OPE/19/254</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:-</u> to agree that the existing holiday pattern continues for the session 2020/2021 and a further consultation exercise be undertaken to determine if the summer holiday should be brought forward by a week, reporting to Committee in November 2019.</p>	Integrated Children's & Family Services	E Sheppard
6	<u>Lochside Academy - Transport and Safe Routes to School - Annual Update 2019 - PLA/19/235</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) to note the outcome of the 2019 annual review for transport and safe routes to school for pupils attending Lochside Academy; (ii) to note that significant numbers of children attending Lochside Academy continue to cross Wellington Road outwith the safe crossing points by climbing over the vehicle guard rail separating the north and southbound carriageways between the Souterhead Roundabout and the junction with Charleston Road North; and (iii) to refer the matter at (ii) to the Operational 	Place / Operations and Protective Services Governance	C Cormack / V Ritson S Dunsmuir/ D Jamieson

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		<p>Delivery Committee, with the recommendation they give effect to implementing protective measures to prevent pedestrians crossing Wellington Road between these junctions by instructing the Chief Officer Operations and Protective Services to design and install protective measures to prevent pedestrians crossing Wellington Road between these junctions, to be paid for by reprioritising funds from the Cycling, Walking and Safer Streets Budget.</p>		
7	<p><u>Free School Meals - OPE/19/250</u></p>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) to thank officers for the work undertaken; (ii) to note the increase in the number of children and young people registered for free school meals; (iii) to note that the Scottish Government has qualifying criteria for free school meals which can be varied by Councils using the Education (Scotland) Act 2016; (iv) to note the workstreams being progressed by officers to increase the uptake of free school meals across both the Primary and Secondary school estate; and further note the potential for Universal Credit or other benefits to have an adverse impact on eligibility criteria for free school meals and instruct the Chief Operating Officer to investigate whether the Council should develop a free school meals policy to address anomalies in legislation as part of the wider Universal Credit impact report due to come to Operational Delivery Committee and also now Education Operational Delivery Committee in November 2019, and to report back to the Education Operational Delivery 	<p>Early Intervention & Community Empowerment / Operations and Protective Services</p>	<p>D McGowan / M Reilly</p>

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		<p>Committee with details of any proposed policy and detail of the indicative costs involved;</p> <p>(v) to note that following the transition between Primary School and Secondary School the numbers of children and young people in receipt of free school meals declines and instructs the Chief Operating Officer to devise and implement a system to ensure that children and young people transitioning from Primary School to Secondary School continue to benefit from the entitlement to free school meals where the entitlement exists and Aberdeen City Council is unaware of any change in family financial circumstances and to report back to Committee with the outcome;</p> <p>(vi) to note the evaluation of the programme to deliver free school meals during school holidays;</p> <p>(vii) to note the evaluation of the Food and Fun Programme for 2018/19; and</p> <p>(viii) to instruct the Chief Officer – Early Intervention and Community Empowerment to continue with the Food and Fun programme examining possible alternative models of delivery which are less staff resource intensive and which may allow for expansion of the programme with the help of partner agencies.</p>		

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