

**GOVERNANCE
COMMITTEE DECISION SHEET**

EDUCATION AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES COMMITTEE - TUESDAY, 24 JANUARY 2023

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1	<u>Declarations of Interest and Transparency Statements</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> Transparency statements will be noted in the minute of the meeting.	Governance	S Dunsmuir
2	<u>Minute of Meeting of 8 November 2022</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> to approve the minute as a correct record.	Governance	S Dunsmuir
3	<u>Committee Business Planner</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> (i) to note the verbal update from the Interim Director of Children's & Family Services in relation to Northfield Academy and to request that the report back to Committee on the outcome of the inspection include detail of the work being undertaken to support the school; and (ii) to otherwise note the planner.	Children's & Family Services	E Sheppard
4	<u>Performance Management Framework - Education and Children's Services - CUS/23/038</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> to note the report.	Data and Insights	A Paterson

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5	<u>Coronation of King Charles III Public Holiday - CFS/23/037</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> to delegate authority to the Chief Education Officer to make a formal request to Scottish Government for an additional closure day on 8 May 2023, subject to approval of an additional public holiday for staff at the Staff Governance Committee on 30 January 2023.	Education People & Organisational Development	S Milne K Foley – for information re SGC
6	<u>Education Reform - CFS/22/009</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> (i) to note the update on education reform; and (ii) to instruct the Chief Education Officer to update Committee on further developments within one calendar year or earlier if on-going education reform triggers a change in the current operating model.	Education Governance	S Milne S Dunsmuir – for planner
7	<u>Early Learning and Childcare Concession Agreements - CFS/23/019</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> (i) to note the content of the report; and (ii) to instruct the Chief Education Officer to continue to monitor the concession contracts and report back to Committee at the end of the first 3 full years of the current concession agreement.	Education Governance	L Beaton / F Lawrie S Dunsmuir – for planner
8	<u>Early Learning and Childcare Delivery Plan 2022-24 Update - CFS/23/003</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> (i) to note that officers would undertake analysis of data around any changes to those choosing to defer their child's entry to primary school as a result of the new legislation and provide that to Members; (ii) to request that officers give consideration to future reports including a map to show the provision	Education Education	L Beaton / F Lawrie L Beaton / F Lawrie

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		<p>in each area;</p> <p>(iii) to note the Best Start: Strategic early learning and school age childcare plan for Scotland 2022-26 (Scottish Government: October 2022);</p> <p>(iv) to instruct the Chief Education Officer to report on the progress and outcomes of the Early Learning and Childcare Delivery Plan 2022-24, and to prepare an updated Delivery Plan for 2024-26, in June 2024, to dovetail with the Strategic Plan for Scotland;</p> <p>(v) to approve the amended Early Learning and Childcare delivery models, based on demand;</p> <p>(vi) to instruct the Chief Education Officer to report on the National Delivery Framework for School Age Childcare and local delivery plans in 2023;</p> <p>(vii) to note that the Scottish Government set out three original aims of the expansion in ELC which were to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • improve children’s outcomes and help close the poverty-related attainment gap • increase family resilience through improved health and wellbeing of children and parents • support parents into work, study or training; <p>(viii) to instruct the Interim Director of Children’s & Family Services to report back to the next committee with a scope to evaluate the performance of the new ELC service including how it</p>	<p>Education</p> <p>Governance</p> <p>Education</p> <p>Education</p> <p>Governance</p> <p>Education</p> <p>Governance</p>	<p>L Beaton / F Lawrie</p> <p>S Dunsmuir – for planner</p> <p>L Beaton / F Lawrie</p> <p>L Beaton / F Lawrie</p> <p>S Dunsmuir – for planner</p> <p>L Beaton / F Lawrie</p> <p>S Dunsmuir – for planner</p>

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		<p>will seek the feedback of staff, parents and children in assessing the extent to which the original KPI's are being met, including timescales for this evaluation to take place; and</p> <p>(ix) to instruct the Director of Education & Children's Services to report back to committee in early 2024 with the outcomes of the evaluation and any recommendations that may need to be considered.</p>	<p>Education</p> <p>Governance</p>	<p>L Beaton / F Lawrie</p> <p>S Dunsmuir – for planner</p>
9	<u>Inspection Reporting - CFS/22/008</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>(i) to note that there was an error in the table on page 126 of the report and that Beech House Nursery had received two Very Good ratings and two Good ratings;</p> <p>(ii) to note the content of the report;</p> <p>(iii) to instruct the Chief Education Officer to continue to support Early Learning and Childcare (ELC) settings and schools to implement continuous improvement in keeping with the Quality Frameworks; and</p> <p>(iv) to instruct the Chief Education Officer to monitor progress against the Action Plan put in place to realise improvements at Kingsford Early Learning and Childcare provision and report progress towards achieving the actions within 2 committee cycles.</p>	<p>Education</p> <p>Education</p> <p>Governance</p>	<p>S Milne</p> <p>S Milne</p> <p>S Dunsmuir – for planner</p>
10	<u>Kingsford ELC Assurance - CFS/22/002</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>(i) to note the content of the report;</p> <p>(ii) to instruct the Chief Education Officer</p>	<p>Education</p>	<p>S Milne / Gael</p>

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		<p>to continue to support improvement at Kingsford Early Learning and Childcare (ELC) setting;</p> <p>(iii) to instruct the Chief Education Officer to continue to monitor compliance with local procedures designed to keep children safe;</p> <p>(iv) to instruct the Chief Officer Corporate Landlord to continue to be proactive in addressing any vulnerabilities identified across our children's estate;</p> <p>(v) to note that officers would provide a service update towards the end of the year which would set out the timescale for the work to be undertaken with settings where additional actions were required to achieve the desired standard;</p> <p>(vi) to request that officers provide a service update towards the end of the year following the further monitoring of compliance with local procedures designed to keep children safe.</p>	<p>Education</p> <p>Corporate Landlord</p> <p>Corporate Landlord</p> <p>Education</p>	<p>Simpson</p> <p>S Milne / Gael Simpson</p> <p>A Jones</p> <p>A Jones</p> <p>S Milne / Gael Simpson</p>
11	<u>Music Centre Options - CFS/22/020</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>(i) to endorse the draft vision and aims for the provision of the Music Centre in paragraph 3.3;</p> <p>(ii) to note the Options Appraisal on potential models contained in Appendix A;</p> <p>(iii) to instruct the Chief Education Officer to make arrangements to immediately implement Option 2;</p> <p>(iv) to refer the potential allocation of an additional £20,000 to further extend</p>	<p>Education</p> <p>Education</p> <p>Education</p>	<p>S Milne</p> <p>S Milne</p> <p>S Milne</p>

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		<p>the provision of Music Centre opportunities to enhance Option 2 (as set out in Appendix A) to the Council Budget meeting in March 2023;</p> <p>(v) to instruct the Chief Education Officer to work with stakeholders to develop a strategic vision for the provision of Music across the city to inform next steps; and</p> <p>(vi) to instruct the Chief Education Officer to report back on progress within one calendar year.</p>	<p>Finance</p> <p>Education</p> <p>Education</p> <p>Governance</p>	<p>H Sherrit / S Paterson for information</p> <p>S Milne</p> <p>S Milne</p> <p>S Dunsmuir – for planner</p>
12	<u>Autumn in the City - CFS/22/004</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>(i) to note the high-level evaluation of the Autumn in the City programme;</p> <p>(ii) to instruct the Chief Education Officer to design and deliver a programme for the Easter school holiday using underspend from the Autumn programme; and</p> <p>(iii) to instruct the Chief Education Officer to report to Committee on the impact of the Easter 2023 programme following delivery.</p>	<p>Education</p> <p>Education</p> <p>Governance</p>	<p>S Skene</p> <p>S Skene</p> <p>S Dunsmuir – for planner</p>
13	<u>Supporting Learners - CFS/22/021</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>(i) to note the approaches being taken and the progress made to date;</p> <p>(ii) to instruct the Chief Education Officer to report ongoing progress through National Improvement Framework reporting; and</p> <p>(iii) to note that officers would ensure that the Supporting Learners updates were</p>	<p>Education</p> <p>Education</p>	<p>S Milne</p> <p>S Milne</p>

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		clearly signposted in the National Improvement Framework reports.		
14	<u>Children's Rights Reporting - CFS/22/022</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>(i) to approve the publication of the Children's Rights Report in Appendix A;</p> <p>(ii) to instruct the Chief Education Officer to present a refreshed Local Authority Plan for implementation of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child to the Education and Children's Services Committee following receipt of the anticipated Statutory Guidance in 2023; and</p> <p>(iii) to note that officers will prioritise compliance with the UNCRC (Incorporation) (Scotland) Bill ahead of the Unicef Child Friendly Cities (CFC) programme.</p>	<p>Education</p> <p>Education</p> <p>Governance</p>	<p>M Reid</p> <p>S Milne / M Reid</p> <p>S Dunsmuir – for planner</p>
15	<u>Children's Care and Justice Bill - CFS/22/023</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>(i) to note the intended outcomes of the Children's Care and Justice Bill and some of the implications Aberdeen City Council will need to consider upon its approval; and</p> <p>(ii) to note the Education & Children's Services Committee instruction for the Chief Social Work Officer to update Committee on the progress of the Bill when the outcome of the Secure Review is concluded, anticipated Autumn 2023.</p>	<p>Integrated Children's Services</p>	<p>Graeme Simpson</p>
16	<u>Replacement of CareFirst / D365 Implementation</u>	<p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>(i) to note the report and recognise the</p>	<p>Integrated</p>	<p>Graeme Simpson</p>

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		<p>contribution and commitment of social work staff from across all functions, in addition to that of staff from the Finance, Digital and Technology, Data and Insights and People and Organisational Development clusters to the successful delivery of Dynamics 365 (D365); and</p> <p>(ii) to instruct the Chief Social Work Officer to progress conversations with partners, to see if D365 can be a platform that can deliver integrated multi -agency chronologies.</p>	<p>Children's Services</p> <p>Integrated Children's Services</p>	<p>Graeme Simpson</p>

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