

Notice of Motion by Councillor Blake – referred from Council on 14 December 2022

That the Committee:-

Notes with concern that notification of strike action has been received from four of the teacher's unions;

Agrees that young people's education has been severely impacted by the pandemic and that teachers are key to successful recovery;

Agrees that hard working teachers across Scotland have gone above and beyond as a result of the pandemic but also as a result of years of mismanagement and neglect by the Scottish Government;

Recognises that this is a national dispute which can only be resolved by SNP Ministers at Holyrood;

Calls for COSLA to press the Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills urging them to do everything possible to avoid or minimise industrial action and its impact upon our children, young people, parents and guardians; and

Instructs the Chief Executive to formally write to the Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills noting the Council's concerns for the education of our children and young people if the Scottish Government cannot reach a settlement in this dispute and to urgently produce a fair deal for teachers.