



A brighter future for Nottingham children

Education Improvement Board

29 March 2017

Time: 10.00am to 12.00pm

Venue: LB41, Loxley House, Nottingham City Council, Station Street

Minutes

Attendees:

Professor Sir David Greenaway (DG) - chair
Chris Hall (CH)
Pat Fielding (PF)
David Anstead (DA)
Phil Crompton (PC)
John Dyson (JDy)
Jennifer Hardy (JH)
Matt Lawrence (ML)
Cllr Sam Webster (SW)
Rebecca Meredith (RM)
Carol Norman (CN)
Alison Michalska (AM)
Matt Varley (MV)
Yultan Mellor (YM)
Wayne Norrie (WN)
Andy Burns (AB)

1. Welcome, Introductions and Apologies

Apologies:

Cllr Jon Collins, Russell Andrews, Sarah Fielding, Kevin Fear, Sian Hampton

Yultan Mellor was welcomed as a new member of the Education Improvement Board. Jonny Kirk, Nick Lee, Pete McConnoghie and Charlotte Malick attended for their respective agenda items.

2. Minutes of the last meeting of 12th January

The minutes of the meeting held on 24th November were accepted as a true record and will be published on the EIB website – www.nottinghamschools.org

3. Matters arising, Chair's update and standing items

CH gave an update on the work of Sarah Smailes, Transition Strand Lead. Sarah is focusing on the five bridges of transition and is initiating a series of small projects across the city addressing these bridges. This will culminate in a city wide meeting in the Autumn term of 2017.

CH also outlined a pilot to use Twitter to deliver some of the recruitment and retention strand activity. MV mentioned a new national initiative to fund innovative approaches to recruiting teachers, which the business sub group might research. CN raised concerns about links with universities outside Nottingham not being as productive as they could be and JH will look to develop these.

DA ran through a proposal for Thistley Hough Academy in Stoke to support Nottingham secondary schools with improving English and mathematics provision over the next 18 months. DA also

updated the board with plans to hold a Fair Workload Charter conference on 23 May in response to wide national interest in the charter.

JH shared the latest budget update and SW asked for an update on EIB activity to date to be shared with all schools and Chairs of Governors.

ACTION : JH to develop an EIB communication on activity so far and planned activity.

4. Charitable status

DG opened a discussion about formalising the constitution of the EIB by becoming a charity, outlining the work of the EIB as a long term project which requires a long term funding model. Charitable status would mean the EIB had a different platform to tap into financial resources, but there will be implications for those board members who become trustees. DA outlined there are pros and cons to this discussion and it was agreed to give the matter more consideration. DG suggested a review of EIB activity for the future to identify what governance model is needed to deliver that.

ACTION: Sub group to continue working on this item and bring it back to the July meeting for further discussion.

5. Place planning

Nick Lee, Head of Access and Inclusion and Jonny Kirk, Access to Learning Service Manager attended EIB to deliver a presentation about school place planning in the city. CH raised concerns about new arrivals to the city and how these are supported when they arrive. RM spoke of the challenges for parents when siblings are not able to attend the same school, due to school place pressures. JK advised the DfE are considering LA's administering all in year transfers in the future and RM offered to assist the LA with this if required.

6. Pupils Attitude to Self and School (PASS)

Pete McConnoghie and Jonathon Thomson delivered a presentation outlining the work to date on rolling out PASS across the city. The presentation is attached.

7. Wellbeing update

Charlotte Malick attended EIB to deliver a presentation on wellbeing to EIB. The presentation is attached.

8. AOB

None

Summary of actions:

- JH to develop an EIB communication on activity so far and planned activity
- Business sub-group to continue working on the possibility of the EIB adopting charitable status and bring it back to the July meeting for further discussion.
- Business sub-group to review the impact of past EIB activity and plans for the future for discussion at the July meeting.

Meeting closed at 12.10pm