



Minutes of the meeting of the COMMUNITY LEARNING FAMILY OF CHAIRS held on THURSDAY 23 MARCH 2000 at 6.00 pm in Meeting Room 2, Saxon Court

Present: Councillor Lloyd (Chair, Community Learning Committee)
Councillors Gibbs (Vice-Chair, Children's and Youth Committee), Irons (Chair, Economy and Lifelong Learning Committee), Legg (Chair, Community Committee), Saunders (Chair, Education Committee) and Woodcock (Vice-Chair, Education Committee)

Officers: J Stansfield (Strategic Director Learning and Development), V Gwynn (Head of Community and Economic Development), A Flack (Director of Education and Early Years Services), P Hymers (Business Development Manager), F Aldridge (Early Years and Childcare Manager) and S Parker (Committee Administrator)

Apologies: Councillors Barton (Chair, Grant Aid Committee), Miles (Vice-Chair, Grant Aid and Community Learning Committees) and Turnbull (Chair, Children's and Youth Committee)

ACTION

1.0 MINUTES

AGREED: Minutes of the meeting held on 17 February 2000.

2.0 SPECIAL COMMUNITY LEARNING COMMITTEE - CHANGES TO HEAD OF SERVICE POST: EDUCATION AND EARLY YEARS SERVICES

NOTED: Report to special Community Learning Committee on 27 March 2000 regarding proposed changes to the Head of Service Post: Director of Education and Early Years Services in light of present postholder leaving the Council to take up a post in Derby.

ALSO NOTED: The consultations with headteachers and schools on the proposals which will require ongoing explanation concerning the effect on schools and the recognition that presentation of the changes was very important.

JS/AF

ALSO NOTED: Advertisements were to be placed in the Educational supplement of the Guardian on 4 April 2000 and the Times Educational supplement during the same week with the intention of short-listing for the post during the half term window.

AGREED: That headteachers and diocesan representatives should be included on the interview panel. JS

3.0 LIBRARY SERVICE REVIEW

CONSIDERED: A report on the findings of the consultation phase of the Library Service Review.

AGREED: Group to consider issues it would wish to have addressed as priorities.

CONSIDERED: Issues relating to possible relocation of library in Wolverton.

AGREED: That officers continue with consultations with Wolverton Partnership on the relocation of Wolverton Library. VG/BP

4.0 SUNSHINE PRE-SCHOOL

INFORMED: By FA progress in attempts to relocate the pre-school to alternative premises and forthcoming meeting with pre-school leader on 12 April.

5.0 ARTS AND CULTURE AUDIENCE DEVELOPMENT

NOTED: The progress made by the Council's Arts and Museum Service in working to implement the recommendations of the Milton Keynes Arts Marketing feasibility study.

6.0 STRUCTURAL REVIEW - SUMMARY PROJECT PLAN (DRAFT) MARCH 2000

CIRCULATED: Details of the Structural Review Summary Project Plan (draft) March 2000.

7.0 OFSTED

REPORTED: By JS details of the forthcoming Ofsted inspection in the autumn and the joint review in the spring of 2001.

NOTED: Training needs for Members relating to the inspection.

REPORTED: By JS that the Chief Inspector allocated for Milton Keynes Council had previously worked for Buckinghamshire County Council.

AGREED: That JS inform Liberal Democrat Group regarding view of Labour Group that it was inappropriate to have a former Buckinghamshire County Council employee appointed as the Chief Inspector for Milton Keynes Council's Ofsted and representations also to be made to DfEE JS

8.0 COMMUNITY LEARNING COMMITTEE DRAFT AGENDA - 4 APRIL 2000

NOTED: The reports to the next meeting of the Community Learning Committee on 4 April 2000.

THE CHAIR CLOSED THE MEETING AT 7.55 PM