

Minute of Education Committee Meeting
Tuesday 6 February 2018, New Struan, Alloa, at 15.00

Present: Alison Leask; Peigi Macarthur; Lindsay Ebner; Paul Prescott;
Jackie Latto (Director of Autism Services); Lucy Chetty (Head Teacher);
Deborah Henderson (Depute Head Teacher); Alan Somerville (CEO);

Apologies: Lesley Lee (Residences Manager); Simon Hunt (Director of Finance &
Corporate Resources);

The committee welcomed Deborah Henderson to the Struan team.

1. MINUTE OF LAST MEETING/ MATTERS ARISING

The minute of the meeting held on 3 October 2017 was accepted.

2. DIRECTOR, HEAD TEACHER & RESIDENCES MANAGER'S REPORT

A report has been submitted and the contents were noted. The committee discussed the Care Inspectorate's unannounced inspection at the residences. There have been 2 serious complaints (one upheld and one being investigated) and the inspector intimated that this would have an impact on the grades awarded. The board acknowledged that change takes time and voiced their support for the new team. Care Inspectorate feedback is on 12.02.18.

3. SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN PROGRESS

The team gave a presentation on the School Improvement Plan and progress was discussed. There is a potential HMIE inspection next year, and indicators for inspection were highlighted, the inspection process and the personalisation of individual learning were discussed. Building leadership and capacity at all levels, fostering connections with partnership schools, learning provision, curriculum pathways were all highlighted. The board agreed that a total communication environment between care and education staff helps track improvements.

The board commented on the great synergy in the team and the excellent quality in the documents presented.

4. AOCB

- **School Finances** – PP highlighted raised the demographic reasons for loss of pupils and stated that he is encouraged that Struan is looking at a break even position despite this.

Date of next meeting: 15 May 2018 @ 3pm at Struan School