

Concise Minutes – Children, Young People and Education Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 2 – Senedd

Meeting date: Thursday, 8 March 2018

Meeting time: 09.08 – 13.41

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Attendance

| Category | Names |
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| Assembly Members: | Lynne Neagle AM (Chair) Michelle Brown AM John Griffiths AM Llyr Gruffydd AM Darren Millar AM Julie Morgan AM Mark Reckless AM |
| Witnesses: | Betsan O'Connor, Education through Regional Working (ERW) Cressy Morgan, Education through Regional Working Debbie Lewis, Central South Consortium Joint Education Service Andrew Williams, Central South Consortium Joint Education Service Sharon Williams, GwE Paul Matthews-Jones, GwE |



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| | <p>Ed Pryce, Education Achievement Service for South East Wales</p> <p>Kath Bevan, Education Achievement Service for South East Wales</p> <p>Rob Williams, NAHT</p> <p>Damon McGarvie, National Association of Head Teachers</p> <p>Tim Pratt, ASCL</p> <p>Ravi Pawar, Blackwood Comprehensive School</p> <p>Neil Foden, NUT Cymru</p> <p>Hannah O'Neill, Association of Teachers and Lecturers</p> <p>Rex Phillips, NASUWT</p> <p>Elaine Edwards, UCAC</p> <p>Sir Alasdair MacDonald, Welsh Government</p> <p>Mel Ainscow, Manchester University</p> |
| Committee Staff: | <p>Sian Thomas (Clerk)</p> <p>Sarah Bartlett (Deputy Clerk)</p> <p>Michael Dauncey (Researcher)</p> |

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members. Apologies were received from Hefin David, there was no substitute.

2 Inquiry into Targeted Funding to Improve Educational Outcomes – Evidence session 3

2.1 The Committee heard evidence from the Regional Consortia.

2.2 ERW and CSCJES to provide examples of where input of challenge advisers has changed the way a school uses it's PDG allocation or when the consortia had had to consider recovering PDG which had been inappropriately spent.

2.3 ERW to provide note on the issue of the content of one of the questions on an English paper, regarding the pros and cons of fair trade and the impact this had on results.

2.4 ERW and CSCJES to provide a written response to the unasked questions.

3 Inquiry into Targeted Funding to Improve Educational Outcomes – Evidence session 4

3.1 The Committee heard evidence from the Regional Consortia.

3.2 EAS to provide a breakdown of the Science attainment data in terms of vocational qualifications and GCSE.

4 Inquiry into Targeted Funding to Improve Educational Outcomes – Evidence session 5

4.1 The Committee heard evidence from teaching unions.

5 Inquiry into Targeted Funding to Improve Educational Outcomes – Evidence session 6

5.1 The Committee heard evidence from teaching unions.

6 Inquiry into Targeted Funding to Improve Educational Outcomes – Evidence session 7

6.1 The Committee heard evidence from Sir Alasdair MacDonald and Professor Mel Ainscow.

7 Paper(s) to note

7.1 The papers were noted.

Additional information from the Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health following the meeting on 18 January

**Update on Welsh Government response to Recommendations from the
Committee's Report: Scrutiny of the Welsh Government Draft Budget 2018–19**

**8 Motion under Standing Order 17.42(ix) to resolve to exclude the
public from the meeting for the remainder of the meeting.**

8.1 The Motion was agreed.

**9 Inquiry into Targeted Funding to Improve Educational Outcomes –
Consideration of the Evidence**

9.1 The Committee considered the evidence from the evidence sessions.