

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

Council Offices, Garshake Road, Dumbarton, G82 3PU

20 October 2004

MEETING: WEDNESDAY, 27 OCTOBER 2004

**COUNCIL CHAMBERS
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS
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Dear Sir/Madam

Please attend a meeting of the **Children's Services Committee** to be held in the Council Chambers, Municipal Buildings, Station Road, Dumbarton on **Wednesday, 27 October 2004 at 10.00 a.m.**

The business is as shown on the enclosed agenda.

Yours faithfully

TIM HUNTINGFORD

Chief Executive

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Director of Corporate Services

CHILDREN'S SERVICES COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY 27 OCTOBER 2004

AGENDA

1. APPOINTMENT OF CONVENER

The Committee is requested to consider the appointment of Convener of the Children's Services Committee.

2. APOLOGIES

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS (pages 1 - 6)

Submit for approval the Minutes of Meetings of the Children's Services Committee held on 25 August 2004.

4. THE RESULTS OF THE CONSULTATIVE PROCESS ON THE PROPOSED CLOSURE OF BRAIDFIELD HIGH SCHOOL AND REDELINEATION OF THE CLYDEBANK HIGH SCHOOL CATCHMENT AREA (pages 7 - 30)

With reference to the Minutes of Meeting of the Children's Services Committee held on 25 August 2004 (pages 1012/1013, paragraph 3344(5) refers), submit report by the Director of Education and Cultural Services reporting on the views expressed and the representations made during the consultative period on the consultative document 'The Proposed Closure of Braidfield High School and the Redelineation of the Clydebank High School Area'.

5. LOCAL ACTION FUND (pages 31 – 37)

With reference to the Minutes of Meeting of the Children's Services Committee held on 25 August 2004 (pages 1014/1015, paragraph 3354(4) refers), submit report by the Chief Executive providing information on the final plan for spending the Local Action Fund money.

6. SQA EXAMINATION RESULTS 2004 (pages 39 – 48)

With reference to the Minutes of Meeting of the Children's Services Committee held on 25 August 2004 (page 1016, paragraph 3359 refers), submit report by the Director of Education and Cultural Services providing up to date information on the performance of West Dunbartonshire schools in the national SQA examinations of 2004.

7. CHURCH REPRESENTATION ON THE CHILDREN'S SERVICES COMMITTEE (pages 49 – 51)

Submit report by the Director of Education and Cultural Services advising the Committee of the resignation of Mrs Wallace as a church representative on the Children's Services Committee and that the Director had placed an advertisement in the press for a replacement Church Representative and the outcome thereof.

8. HER MAJESTY'S INSPECTORATE OF EDUCATION: FOLLOW-THROUGH TO THE INSPECTION OF WHITECROOK PRIMARY SCHOOL (pages 53 – 65)

Submit report by the Director of Education and Cultural Services containing information on the follow-through visit to the inspection of Whitecreek Primary School by Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Education (HMIE).

9. HER MAJESTY'S INSPECTORATE OF EDUCATION: INSPECTION OF OUR LADY OF LORETTO PRIMARY SCHOOL (pages 67 – 81)

Submit report by the Director of Education and Cultural Services informing the Committee of the outcome of the inspection of Our Lady of Loretto's Primary School.

10. INSPECTIONS OF EARLY EDUCATION AND CHILDCARE CENTRES (pages 83 – 85)

Submit report by the Director of Education and Cultural Services providing information on the inspection regime as it applies to Early Education and Childcare Centres and on Integrated Inspections which have been carried out in Centres in West Dunbartonshire.

**11. RAISING ATTAINMENT AT KEY STAGES OF SECONDARY EDUCATION
(pages 87 – 93)**

Submit report by the Director of Education and Cultural Services providing further information on responses taken by the Education Authority and schools in relation to the action points arising from Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Education's (HMIE) inspection of West Dunbartonshire Council's Education Services, namely the raising of attainment at key stages of secondary education, including examples of learning and teaching strategies.

**12. THE DEVELOPMENT OF INTEGRATED COMMUNITY SCHOOLS IN SCOTLAND: THE POSITION IN WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE
(pages 95 – 97)**

Submit report by the Director of Education and Cultural Services informing the Committee of a report published by Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Education (HMIE) in relation to the Development of Integrated Community Schools in Scotland: "The Sum of its Parts?" and commenting on progress made within West Dunbartonshire on delivering the Integrated Community School initiative (ICS) across the authority.

Note: The report published by HMIE "The Sum of it Parts" (Appendix 1) and the report on progress made within West Dunbartonshire "Integrated Community Schools Initiative" (Appendix 2) has been issued to Members only.

**13. EDUCATION GRANTS TO VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS
(pages 99 – 101)**

Submit report by the Director of Education and Cultural Services making recommendations on the level of grants payable to voluntary organisations.

**14. ALLOWANCES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE IN RESIDENTIAL CARE
(pages 103 – 105)**

Submit report by the Director of Social Work Services seeking approval to increase the Council's rate of allowances paid to children who are resident in West Dunbartonshire's units for young people.

15. 2004-5 REVENUE ESTIMATES - BUDGETARY CONTROL REPORT FOR PERIOD 1 APRIL TO 15 AUGUST 2004 (pages 107 – 144)

Submit report by the Director of Education and Cultural Services providing information on expenditure and income to date within the Department of Education and Cultural Services approved budget for 2004-2005.

16. UPDATE OF CAPITAL AND REVENUE BUILDING PROGRAMME 2004/2005 (pages 145 – 162)

Submit report by the Director of Education and Cultural Services providing up-to-date information on the status of Education and Revenue Building Projects within the Education and Cultural Services Department and drawing attention to significant issues or problems with the progress of any particular project.

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