

Apologies: Andy Walker (PC Chair), Claire Stanfield, Tori Irvine, Christine Chalmers

1. Welcome from PC Vice-Chair.

Attendance : Amy Rodford, Jane Dunlop, Laura McMaster, Vicky Finch, Jenny Deheen, Mrs J Livingston (HT) Mrs Young (HT) Elaine Kinloch.

2. Update from Cllr Fitzpatrick

Council Tax freeze for all bands

Cuts across the board, there is significant pressure on Social Care and Education

Outlined the changes for Social Care in terms of Care at Home.

Charge for Brown Bins – Working with Scottish Government.

Looking at opening hours of Civic Amenity sites.

Education:

Catchment changing for Williamston – Minor change to include Linhouse “loop”, essentially a tidying up of the boundary, no new houses in the additional part. Next term has been agreed. Consultation on school holidays.

EMA and bursaries can be applied for.

Toucan crossing to be provided at Robin’s Lane.

River restoration on Murieston Water is being undertaken.

Livingston Skatepark now listed.

Mrs Livingston Confirmed that there were no changes to the secondary school catchments as far as she was aware.

3. Update from School LT.

ANDY – please can you paste in the comments from Mrs L – she advises that she has already sent these to you.

PLS add - Anticipating significant decrease in “per head” allocation. WL maintaining teachers.

4. Finance Update

a. Currently £3254.75 in School Funds.

b. Request from school for funds towards new sound system for large hall. PC happy to contribute £1000 towards this.

c. Easyfundraising raised £92.82 in February.

5. Sub-Committee Updates

a. Fundraising

i. Committee met last week and have several proposals to put to the school.

1. Provision of Tea, Coffee, cakes etc at school sports days. We will also look to host book sale at the same event. **AGREED TO CHILDRENS PROPOSAL FOR TEA AND COFFEE PC to look at book stall and tombola.**

2. Possible event or events to be held in May and June. Looking at a Bingo night and possibly a Race night. The Bingo evening, we would look to host at the school, Race Night likely to be the Scout Hall or Bowling Club. Details TBC.

3. Potentially some sort of sponsored event(s) tying in with Health and Well Being week. Understand the school may be organising a similar event(s) so will wait to see what the school is looking to do to avoid any conflict.

b. Communications

i. Number of parents met with representatives of WLC to discuss communication with parents and consumption of other council services. Thank you to those that took part. WLC will be sending all parents a questionnaire in the not too distant future around this topic.

- c. STEM
 - i. No update currently.
- d. Grants
 - i. No update currently.

6. Year Rep Updates (Some names and positions may need amended)

- a. Nursery – Tori Irvine

Q: staff at the door A: Staff must be on the floor, staff trying to manage the best they can. Staff are ratioed.

- b. P1 – Laura McMaster & Amy Rodford

Nothing

- c. P2 – Christine Chalmers & Jenny Denheen
 - i. Any school trips planned for P2?

Depends on what the children have chosen. No longer an expectation, must be linked to education.

- ii. Football Colours for Sports events? Is it okay if they wear their football kit for their local team e.g. Football buzz, Murieston United?

Going back to check thoughts from PSW and PE staff.

- iii. Following on from the inspection is there going to be an action plan for them to move from 'good' quite quickly?

Details in the Improvement Plan – steps from HMiE were already in the improvement plan. Confident that they will be validating "very good" by summer.

- d. P3 – Elaine Kinloch
- e. P4 - Jennifer Ross and Claire Stanfield
- f. P5 – Nat McGowan
- g. P6 – Jane Dunlop
 - i. Please can the P6's have some better footballs.

Football will be reviewed, better balls in the summer.

- h. P7 – Gemma Taylor

7. AOB

8. Session 2023 / 2024 - Meeting Dates

- Tuesday 12th September
- Monday 13th November
- Tuesday 23rd January
- Monday 18th March
- Tuesday 14th May – **In person.**