

AGENDA

MINUTES

- (1) Minutes of Sub-Committees and Education Joint Consultative Committee
 - (a) Education Resources Sub-Committee (pages 1-6)
Submit Minute of the meeting of the Education (Resources) Sub-Committee held on 15 March 2001 for approval (copy herewith)
 - (b) Education (Joint Appeals and Bursaries) Sub-Committee (pages 7-9)
Submit Minutes of the meetings of the Education (Joint Appeals and Bursaries) Sub-Committee held on 28 February and 20 March 2001 for information and approval as a correct record (copies herewith)
 - (c) Education Joint Consultative Committee (pages 10-12)
Submit Minute of the meeting of the Education Joint Consultative Committee held on 28 February 2001 for information and approval as a correct record (copy herewith)

POLICY

- (2) Revised Policy on Admission to Schools - Implications of the Standards in Scotland's Schools etc. Act 2000 (pages 13-25)
Submit report by Director of Education seeking approval of a revised policy on Admission to Schools in light of the requirements of the Standards in Scotland's Schools etc. Act 2000 (copy herewith)
- (3) Higher School and Further Education Bursary Policies 2001/2002 (pages 26-83)
Submit report by Director of Education seeking approval of revised policy documents for Higher School and Further Education Bursaries for the academic year 2001/2002 (copy herewith)
- (4) Gaelic Medium Education - Progression to Secondary School Provision (pages 84-87)
Submit report by Director of Education (1) advising of the success of Gaelic medium provision at Condorrat Primary School, Cumbernauld, and (2) seeking approval of proposals to establish Gaelic medium secondary provision at Greenfaulds High School, Cumbernauld (copy herewith)

MONITORING

- (5) Revenue Estimates 2000/2001 - Department of Education (pages 88-101)
Submit report by Director of Education advising of the current departmental spending levels for the period from 1 April 2000 to 4 February 2001 by the Department of Education (copy herewith)

OPERATIONAL

- (6) Department of Education - Service Plan 2001/2002 (page 102)
Submit report by Director of Education seeking approval of the Service Plan for the Department of Education for 2001/2002 (copy report herewith; copy document available in Members' Library)

- (7) Education Public Private Partnership Project (pages 103-104)
Submit report by the Director of Education advising of the progress to date of the formulation of a Public Private Partnership project for the refurbishment of schools (copy herewith)
- (8) Annual Statement of Local Improvement Objectives (pages 105-109)
Submit report by Director of Education seeking approval of the Department's first Annual Statement of Local Improvement Objectives (copy herewith)
- (9) Best Value Service Reviews (pages 110-127)
Submit report by Director of Education (1) setting out in the Appendix to the report a review report, and Improvement Action Plan in respect of the Council's policy on "Raising Achievement for All", and (2) advising of the arrangements for the submission of the final review report for phase 3 of the timetable for the Review of Educational Services (copy report herewith; background papers available in the Members' Library)
- (10) Review of the Careers Service (pages 128-142)
As a potential remit from the Community Services Committee at a meeting to be held on 28 March 2001, submit report by Director of Community Services advising of the outcome of the recent review of the Careers Service in Scotland and the publication by the Scottish Executive of its response (copy herewith)
- (11) Petitions
- (a) Use of School Transport by Special Educational Needs Schools (pages 143-145)
Submit report by Director of Education regarding the petition from members of the public and parents of pupils attending Redburn School, Cumbernauld, objecting to the alleged withdrawal of the use of transport by Special Educational Needs Schools during the day and advising of the findings of the Working Group which had been set up to examine the matter (copy herewith)
- (b) Reduction in the Number of Bus Places Available to Children Travelling to St. Margaret of Scotland Primary School, Cumbernauld (pages 146-148)
Submit report by Director of Education advising of a petition from residents of the Seafar, Carbrain and Kildrum Areas of Cumbernauld in objection to the alleged reduction in the number of bus places available to children travelling to St. Margaret of Scotland Primary School, Cumbernauld (copy herewith)

STAFFING

- (12) "A Teaching Profession for the 21st Century" - Conditions of Service and Pay for Teachers (pages 149-155)
Submit report by Director of Education summarising the main features of the agreement which has been reached by employers, the teaching profession and the Scottish Executive to improve professional conditions of service and pay for teachers (copy herewith)

- (13) Teachers' Premature Retirement Scheme Proposals for 2001/2002 (pages 156-161)
Submit report by Director of Education seeking approval of proposals for the Teachers' Premature Retirement Scheme for 2001/2002 (copy herewith)
- (14) Interactive Learning Centre, Bellshill - Creation of Temporary Posts of Network Specialist/Facilitator and Multi-Media Specialist/Facilitator (pages 162-164)
Submit report by Director of Education proposing the creation of two temporary posts of Network Specialist/Facilitator and Multi-Media Specialist/Facilitator for placement in the Interactive Learning Centre, Bellshill (copy herewith)

FOR INFORMATION

- (15) Assessment of Achievement Programme - Fifth Survey of Science 1999 (pages 165-170)
Submit report by Director of Education advising of the key findings of the national Assessment of Achievement Programme in Science for 1999 (copy herewith)
- (16) 5-14 Development Programme - Revised National Guidelines (pages 171-173)
Submit report by Director of Education advising of the publication by the Scottish Executive of revised guidelines for the 5-14 Development Programme in respect of the Structure and Balance of the Curriculum, Environmental Studies, Science, Social Subjects, Technology, Health Education and Information Communication Technology (copy herewith)
- (17) North Lanarkshire Strategy for Carers 2001/2004 (pages 174-176)
In terms of remit from the Social Work Committee at a meeting held on 22 March 2001, submit report by Director of Social Work advising of the finalisation of the North Lanarkshire Strategy for Carers 2001/2002 and of the report of the North Lanarkshire Carers' Conference (copy report herewith; copy document to be made available in the Members' Library)
- (18) Conferences etc
- (a) "Linguistic Diversity: Challenge for European Cities and Regions"
Note invitation from the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of Europe to attend a conference held in Croatia on 22 and 23 March 2001
 - (b) Action for Inclusion
Note invitation from Universities Scotland to attend a seminar held in Edinburgh on 23 March 2001
 - (c) Citizenship in Action: Involving Children and Young People in Local Government
Consider invitation from Children in Scotland and the Scottish Local Government Information Unit to attend a conference to be held in Edinburgh on 26 April 2001
 - (d) Literacy and Regeneration
Consider invitation from the National Literacy Trust to attend a conference to be held in London on 15 May 2001

- (e) **Managing the Education Services of the Future**
Consider invitation from Office for Public Management to attend learning programmes to be held on various dates in May and June 2001