

To: Education Committee	Subject: ESTABLISHMENT OF 2 POSTS – NETWORK SPECIALIST/FACILITATOR AND MULTIMEDIA SPECIALIST/FACILITATOR – BELLSHILL CENTRE FOR LEARNING
From: Director of Education	
Date: 6 February 2001	
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Purpose

To seek approval for the establishment of the posts of Network Specialist/Facilitator and Multimedia Specialist/Facilitator – Bellshill Centre for Learning

Recommendations

The Education Committee is asked

- (1) to approve the establishment of the posts of Network Specialist/Facilitator (Technical Grade 1V) and Multimedia Specialist/Facilitator (PO 8) at Bellshill Centre for Learning
- (2) to approve the identification of a sum of £100,000 for the payment of sessional workers
- (3) to refer the report to the Personnel Services Committee for consideration and approval.

Members wishing further information regarding the attached report should contact:

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1. BACKGROUND

1.1 The Education Committee will recollect approving the Director of Education's Report of 8 February 2000, proposing to establish an Interactive Learning Centre in Bellshill Academy, and, subsequently, the Report of 4 August 2000 proposing to establish the post of Head of Centre at the Bellshill Centre of Learning. The Centre will support the establishment and delivery of a range of alternative curriculum provisions. In addition, the Centre will provide community opportunities for adult learning and multi-agency youth work.

1.2 The Scottish Executive has approved a grant of £709,000 to establish BeCel as a Pathfinder Project.

2.0 PROPOSAL

2.1 It is proposed to establish 2 further posts at the Centre:

a) Network Specialist/Facilitator (Technical Grade 1V, Salary Scale £18, 378 - £20, 397 +on costs of 16.46%)

b) Multimedia Specialist/Facilitator (PO 8, Salary Scale £28,404 - £30,504 +on costs of 16.46%)

2.2 The Network Specialist/Facilitator and the Multimedia Specialist/Facilitator will be required

- To provide advanced technical support to the groups of learners of the Bellshill Centre for Learning
- To assist school based professional and technical staff as required
- To assist the Head of Centre in providing appropriate staff development and training
- To give a direct commitment to ensuring that provision is of the highest standard in ensuring effective teaching and learning for all

2.3 These posts will be temporary, until the end of March 2003.

2.4 It is also proposed that, in order to have a flexible approach to the delivery of course work, that a sum of £100,000 be identified to pay for sessional workers at a rate of £16.99 per hour.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

These posts will be fully funded from the grant from the Scottish Executive at no additional cost to North Lanarkshire Council.

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