



Leicester
City Council

MINUTE EXTRACT

Minutes of the Meeting of the
EDUCATION AND LIFELONG LEARNING SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Held: THURSDAY, 2 MARCH 2006 at 5.30pm

P R E S E N T :

Councillor Johnson - Chair
Councillor Karim - Liberal Democrat Spokesperson
Councillor Waddington – Labour Spokesperson

Councillor Beck	Councillor O'Brien
Councillor Clair	Councillor Panchbaya
Councillor Fitch	Councillor Sood
Councillor Hunt	Councillor Thompson
Councillor Kitterick	Councillor Vincent
Councillor Willmott	

Co-opted Members (Voting)

Mr Edward Hayes - Roman Catholic Diocese

Co-opted Members (Non-Voting)

Mr Peter Flack - Secondary Sector
Mrs Paula Peers - City of Leicester Governors Association

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54. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were asked to declare any interests they had in the business on the agenda, and/or indicate that Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 applied to them.

Cllr Fitch	Leicester Adult Education College	LEA
Cllr Kitterick	Hazel Primary	LEA
	Leicester Adult Education College	LEA
Cllr Panchbaya	Spinney Hills Primary School	LEA
Mrs Pauline Peers	Babington Community Technology College	LEA
Cllr Sood	Spinney Hills Primary School	LEA

Cllr Thompson

Sandfield Close Primary
Northfield House Primary

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The Town Clerk advised Members who were school governors that they had non-prejudicial interests in, and their general declarations applied to the following items:

Revenue Budget Monitoring 2005/2006 – Period 9
2005/2006 Capital Programme Monitoring – Period 9

Minute no.60 refers
Minute no.63 refers

63. EDUCATION CAPITAL STRATEGY AND PROGRAMME - 2006/07 TO 2007/08

The Service Director Policy & Resources, Education & Lifelong Learning submitted a report which advised Members of the strategic challenges facing Education and Lifelong Learning property portfolio with a view to prioritising available resources and also to provide an update on the progress of projects carried out in 2005/06. It was stated that the programme balance was towards primary schools as it was expected that secondary schools would receive support from the Building Schools for the Future monies with a report expected to be brought to this Committee in the near future.

Members queried as to why the Committee had not been consulted regarding where Children's Centres would be placed and expressed concern that by the time any report was brought to them it would be too late to change the positioning. In response it was stated that a report was scheduled to be brought to this Committee at its April meeting and Members were assured that no decision on the placing of the centres would be made before then.

In relation to the Capital Works at New College it was stated that discussions were on-going with Government regarding the proposed Academy. However works were needed to ensure the buildings current suitability and any possible future use.

In relation to Taylor Road school it was stated that discussions were on-going regarding pupil numbers. Once approval was given it was expected that a consultation period with local people of around 6 months would be undertaken and once that was completed the design, tendering and build would take around a further 27 months.

RESOLVED:

That the report be noted.