

Schools Forum

Minutes of Meeting held on Monday 3rd October 2022

Members Present: Keran Currie Roger Capham
Nathan Walters Rob Veale
Cllr Ian Parker Jenny Adamson
Tyrone Myton Markie Hayden
Dave Harvey Clare Cranham
Vicky Mitchell Fiona Robinson
Soumick Dey

Observers Present: Shelley Davies Charles Quaye
Pam Sokhi Cllr Margaret Bird
Cllr Maria Gatland Julie Ralphs
Dave Phillips Jayne Dickinson
Khilat Khan (ESFA) Julie Evans

Apologies: Dave Winters, Josephine Copeland, Theresa Staunton, Patrick Shields, Toby Martlew, Chris Andrew, Leonorie Fernandes

Chair: Jolyon Roberts

Vice Chair:

Clerk: Darran Money, Natasha Scialpi

Item	Detail	Lead/Action
1.	<p>Declaration of interest – None.</p> <p>Minutes and actions from last meeting 11th July 22.</p> <p>The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.</p> <p>Jaqi Stevenson, Jane Charman, Linda O’Callaghan and Lorraine Slee left the Forum last academic year 21/22. School’s Forum to write and thank them all for their service. ACTION</p> <p>Maintained Nursery Schools - Jeanette Indarsingh, Thornton Heath Nursery School has expressed willingness to stand. ACTION</p> <p>Maintained Nursery Schools – briefing paper due to go to scrutiny and cabinet, once finalised SD will share with Schools Forum. ACTION</p> <p>Out of borough funding: CQ stated info will come from Special Schools re influx of funding of other boroughs which send children into Croydon schools. ACTION</p>	<p>Clerk to send letters</p> <p>SD to email MNS Heads to ask for nominations</p> <p>SD to share document</p> <p>CQ to contact Special Schools</p>

2:	<p>Election of Chair and Vice Chair</p> <p>Nominations for Chair – JR expressed his willingness to stand again, seconded by Fiona Robinson. 12 votes for, 0 against, 0 abstentions. No other nominations. JR was re-elected chair.</p> <p>Nominations for Vice Chair – TS happy to stand again, seconded by Roger Capham. 14 votes for, 0 against, 0 abstentions. No other nominations. TS was re-elected vice chair.</p>	
3:	<p>Chair and Vice Chair of all Working Groups appointed by Schools Forum</p> <p>Three existing chairs of working groups; Rob Veale (High Needs Block), Patrick Sheilds (Schools Block) and Theresa Staunton (Early Years Block).</p> <p>Two existing Vice Chairs; Fiona Robinson (HNB), Markie Hayden (SB), vacancy (EYB).</p> <p>Collective vote for above 5 existing chairs and vice chairs to remain in post – 13 votes for, 0 against, 0 abstentions.</p> <p>Potential conflict of interest – Chair of Schools’ Forum and Chair of High Needs Block, both Pegasus Trust. To be discussed in post-meet.</p> <p>ACTION</p>	Chair/SD
4:	<p>Terms of Reference of Schools Forum Work Groups</p> <p>Group to review ToR individually and to email JR directly for consideration at post-meet. ACTION</p>	Chair
5.	<p>School Improvement & Support</p> <p>Request to Schools Forum to de-delegate DSG funding to the Council’s Education Services Team for continuance of school improvement and (Advisory team and statutory training) functions for a period of 2 years (2023/24 and 2024/25 FY).</p> <p>A full discussion of the options available took place and a vote took place. The Chair surmised that the Option 2 choices did not seem to be supported following discussion and asked if they should be removed from the choice. There were no objections from Forum to this approach.</p> <p>Jayne Dickinson – abstained from the vote.</p> <p>Options within paper:</p> <p>1a) 0 votes, 1b) 10 votes, 1c) 2 votes</p>	

	<p>Option 1b carried. £227K for both 23/24 and 24/25, regardless of inflation. Whistleblowing service to be included in 1c option confirmed by Julie Ralphs.</p> <p>Chair said comms is key re April 23 commencement and what this means for Schools re choices available and the training they can now receive at no cost. We must make all school, including academies, aware of this.</p>	
6.	<p>Update from Schools Forum Work Groups (for information)</p> <p>Early Years Working Group – deferred to next meeting.</p> <p>Schools Block Working Group – deferred to next meeting.</p> <p>High Needs Working Group – 22/6/22 last meeting. Focus on commissioning service for therapies (SL, OT), contractual delivery issues, future contracts need to be fit for purpose.</p> <p>Safety Valve DfE – deficit project has been significant piece of work, SD & CQ to feedback at next meeting. Update at next meeting. ACTION</p>	<p>TS</p> <p>PS</p> <p>RV</p> <p>SD/CQ</p>
7.	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>7.1 Membership</p> <p>7.2 Substantive Academy Members:</p> <p>a) Toby Martlew – agreed at previous meeting is now a substantive member.</p> <p>b) Markie Hayden - replaces Rob Hitch as a substantive member.</p> <p>7.3 Maintained School Headteachers:</p> <p>a) Julie Evans replaces Lorraine Slee as Special School substantive member.</p> <p>7.4 Maintained School Governors</p> <p>a) Andrew Rendle, St. Nicholas Special School – Special Schools category (not Primary) – to be discussed in post-meet. ACTION</p> <p>b) Linda O’Callaghan – Vicky Mitchell (acting Head, St. Mary’s) – attended – decision to be made re replacing Linda O’Callaghan. ACTION</p> <p>c) Toby Martlew, consecutively absent, clerk to contact to establish status. ACTION</p> <p>d) Alternate Members from Academy Block – to be discussed in post-meet. ACTION</p> <p>e) Expired memberships – to be discussed in post-meet. ACTION</p>	<p>Chair</p> <p>Chair</p> <p>Clerk to contact TM</p> <p>Chair Chair</p>
	Next meeting: 7 November 2022	

Abbreviations used within the minutes

AWPU	Average weighted pupil unit
BWH	Bernard Weatherill House
CALAT	Croydon Adult Learning and Training
CCG	Clinical Commissioning Groups
CHTA	Croydon Headteachers Association
DfE	Department for Education
DSG	Dedicated Schools Grant
EAL	English as an additional language
ESOL	English as a second/or other language
ESFA	Education Skills Funding Agency
EHCP	Education, Health and Care Plan
E-PEP	Electronic Personal Education Plan
ESG	Education Services Grant
EY	Early Years
EYFF	Early Years Funding Formula
FSM	Free School Meals
GPAC	General Purpose and Audit Committee
IDACI	Income Deprivation Affecting Children Index
IMD	Index of Multiple Deprivation
INM	Independent/non-maintained
KPI	Key Performance Indicator
LA	Local Authority
LAC	Looked After Children
LLW	London Living Wage
LPA	Low Prior Attainment
MAT	Multi-Academy Trust
MFG	Minimum Funding Guarantee
MNS	Maintained Nursery Schools
NEOST	National Employers Organisation for School Teachers
NEET	Not in Education, Employment or Training
NEU	National Education Union
NFF	National Funding Formula
PAN	Planned Admission Number
PEP	Personal Education Plan
PFI	Private Finance Initiative
PPG	Pupil Premium Grant
PPL	Private Public Limited, Consultancy Firm
PVI	Private, voluntary sector and independent providers
SLA	Service Level Agreement
SRMA	School Resource Management Adviser
STPCD	School Teachers Pay and Conditions Document
STRB	School Teachers Review Board
SVC	Saffron Valley Collegiate
ToR	Terms of Reference
TPA	Teacher Professional Association
UASC	Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children
UPN	Unique Pupil Number

Academies and their Trusts

Type	School	Trust	Single Trust or MAT
Primary			
Academy	Aerodrome Primary Academy	REACH2	MAT
Academy	Applegarth Academy	STEP Academy Trust	MAT
Academy	Ark Oval Primary Academy	ARK	MAT
Academy	Atwood Primary Academy	Pegasus Academy Trust	Single
Academy	Beulah Infant School	Pegasus Academy Trust	MAT
Academy	Broadmead Primary Academy	The Pioneer Academy	MAT
Academy	Castle Hill Academy	The Platonos Trust	MAT
Academy	Chestnut Park Primary School	GLF Schools	MAT
Academy	Chipstead Valley Primary School	PACE Academy Trust	MAT
Academy	Courtwood Primary School	The Collegiate Trust	MAT
Academy	Cypress Primary School	Pegasus Academy Trust	MAT
Academy	David Livingstone Academy	STEP Academy Trust	MAT
Academy	Davidson Primary Academy	Chancery Education Trust	MAT
Academy	Ecclesbourne Primary School	Pegasus Academy Trust	MAT
Academy	Fairchildes Primary School	Fairchildes Academy Community Trust	MAT
Academy	Forest Academy	Synaptic Trust	MAT
Academy	Gilbert Scott Primary School	The Collegiate Trust	MAT
Academy	Gonville Academy	STEP Academy Trust	MAT
Academy	Good Shepherd Catholic Primary School	Good Shepherd Catholic Primary and Nursery School	Single
Academy	Harris Primary Academy Benson	Harris Federation	MAT
Academy	Harris Primary Academy Haling Park	Harris Federation	MAT
Academy	Harris Primary Academy Kenley	Harris Federation	MAT
Academy	Harris Primary Academy Purley Way	Harris Federation	MAT
Academy	Heathfield Academy	STEP Academy Trust	MAT
Academy	Kensington Avenue Primary School	The Manor Trust	MAT
Academy	Keston Primary School	PACE Academy Trust	MAT
Academy	Kingsley Primary Academy	Cirrus Primary Academy Trust	MAT
Academy	Monks Orchard Primary and Nursery School	Fairchildes Academy Community Trust	MAT
Academy	New Valley Primary School	PACE Academy Trust	MAT
Academy	Oasis Academy Byron	Oasis Community Learning	MAT
Academy	Oasis Academy Ryelands School	Oasis Community Learning	MAT
Academy	Oasis Academy Shirley Park	Oasis Community Learning	MAT
Academy	Park Hill Junior School	The Folio Trust	MAT
Academy	Robert Fitzroy Academy	REACH2	MAT
Academy	Rowdown Primary School	Fairchildes Academy Community Trust	MAT
Academy	St Aidan's Catholic Primary School	St. Aidan's Catholic Primary School	Single
Academy	St Chad's Catholic Primary School	St Chad's Catholic Primary School	Single
Academy	St Cyprian's Greek Orthodox Primary Academy	St Cyprian's Greek Orthodox Primary Academy	Single
Academy	St James the Great RC Primary and Nursery School	St James the Great R.C. Primary and Nursery School	Single
Academy	St Mary's Catholic Infant School	St Mary's Catholic Primary Schools Trust	MAT
Academy	St Mary's Catholic Junior School	St Mary's Catholic Primary Schools Trust	MAT
Academy	St Peter's Primary School	The Folio Trust	MAT
Academy	St Thomas Becket Catholic Primary School	St Thomas Becket Catholic Primary School	Single
Academy	The Crescent Primary School	The Pioneer Academy	MAT
Academy	The South Norwood Academy	The Pioneer Academy	MAT
Academy	The Woodside Academy	Synaptic Trust	MAT
Academy	Tudor Primary Academy	STEP Academy Trust	MAT
Academy	West Thornton Primary Academy	Synaptic Trust (due to change on 31/12/19)	MAT
Academy	Whitehorse Manor Infant School	Pegasus Academy Trust	MAT
Academy	Whitehorse Manor Junior School	Pegasus Academy Trust	MAT
Academy	Winterbourne Boys' Academy	The Platonos Trust	MAT
Secondary			
Academy	Harris Academy Purley	Harris Federation	MAT
Academy	Harris Academy South Norwood	Harris Federation	MAT
Academy	Harris City Academy Crystal Palace	Harris Federation	MAT
Academy	Meridian High School	GLF Schools	MAT
Academy	Norbury High School for Girls	The Manor Trust	MAT
Academy	Oasis Academy Arena	Oasis Community Learning	MAT
Academy	Oasis Academy Coulsdon	Oasis Community Learning	MAT
Academy	Oasis Academy Shirley Park	Oasis Community Learning	MAT
Academy	Orchard Park High School	Greenshaw Learning Trust	MAT
Academy	Riddlesdown Collegiate	The Collegiate Trust	MAT
Academy	Shirley High School Performing Arts College	Shirley High School	Single
Academy	St Joseph's College	St Joseph's College Delasalle	Single
Academy	The Archbishop Lanfranc Academy	The BEC Trust	Single
Academy	The Quest Academy - Coloma Trust	The Collegiate Trust	MAT
Academy	Woodcote High School	Woodcote High School	Single
SEN			
Academy	Beckmead family of schools	The Beckmead Trust	MAT

ARK - Absolute Return for Kids

GLF - Grown, Learn, Flourish

PACE - Partnership Achievement Community Excellence

STEP - Striving Together for Excellence in Partnership

CROYDON SCHOOLS FORUM - MEMBERS VOTING RIGHTS												
Version 3 - 2019												
Ref 6.10	Casting a vote	Academies and Free Schools	Maintained Nursery Schools	Maintained Primary School Governors	Maintained Secondary School Governors	Maintained Primary	Maintained Secondary	Maintained Special Schools	Maintained Pupil Referral	Early Years Provider	Non Schools	Overall Total
	Members voting card colours	YELLOW	GREEN	GREEN	GREEN	GREEN	GREEN	GREEN	GREEN	PINK	PINK	
	Member voting totals by category group	8	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	4	22
a	Only maintained primary school members can vote on primary school de-delegation			2		2						4
b	Only maintained secondary school members can vote on secondary school de-delegation				1		1					2
c	Combined voting on de-delegation for primary and secondary schools may be taken where the requirement is common for both schools. Optional - may vote depending on paper			2	1	2	1	optional	optional			6
d	Retained funds for statutory duties relating to maintained schools only is limited to maintained primary, secondary special schools and PRU members			2	1	2	1	1	1			8
e	All school members can vote on the scheme for financing schools but not academies, free school members and PVI		1	2	1	2	1	1	1			9
f	All school members including academies, free schools and PVI members can vote on any other school forum business including consultation of the funding formula	8	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	1		18
g	Non school members cannot vote on de-delegation matters relating to the formula concerning schools and early years providers or the scheme for financing schools	8	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	1		18
h	Non school members can vote on any other school forum business	8	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	4	22
i	Local Authority officers and all observers have no voting rights. They have PURPLE cards and do not vote											