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Minutes 725 of the Education Committee meeting held at the Education Learning Centre on Wednesday, 18th November 2015 at 09.00hrs.

Present:	Hon. Christine Scipio-O'Dean	Chairperson
	Hon. Nigel Dollery	Deputy Chairperson
	Hon. Brian Isaac	Member
	Hon. Wilson Duncan	Member
	Mrs Shirley Wahler	Director
	Mrs Kerry Yon	Assistant Director Lifelong Learning
	Mrs Wendy Benjamin	Assistant Director Schools
	Mrs Cherilee Thomas-Johnson	Secretary
Apologies:	Hon. Corinda Essex	Member
Invited:	Miss Lolly Young	For Item 25.3
	Mr. Paul Starkie	For Item 25.12
	Mrs Penelope Bowers	For Item 25.12
	Mrs Barbara Osborne	For Item 25.12

OPEN AGENDA

25.1 WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

The Chairperson welcomed all present.

Apologies were received from Hon Corinda Essex who is currently offshore.

25.2 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES 724

PUBLIC LIBRARY OPERATIONS

The draft survey needed to be amended as some typographical errors were pointed out and required amending. It was agreed that a final version would be circulated via email

ACTION: Director

REPORT FROM RETURNING GRADUATE TEACHERS

This issue has been discussed with the Scholarships Awards Committee and information has been provided by Corporate Human Resources regarding their proposed changes in awards to allow greater consistency with regards to support to scholarship students. The information provided from Corporate Human Resources sets out proposed changes in light of the operation of the airport and will need to be fully discussed by the Scholarships Awards Committee. Education Senior Management Team has also discussed options for how to support the current scholarship candidates when they go abroad, and this will also be shared with the Scholarships Awards Committee for decision-making and action.

ACTION: Director

STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

The final version will be circulated to the Committee.

ACTION: Director

25.3 REPORT FROM HEAD OF INCLUSION, LOLLY YOUNG)

The Committee was circulated the report prior to the meeting.

The Director informed the Committee that although Miss Young had only been in post for a short while that significant advances had been made with the involvement of other Agencies.

The Committee thanked Miss Young for attending and extended an invitation to her to provide an update in the near future.

25.4 FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY TERMS AND REFERENCE

The Committee was circulated a report prior to the meeting.

The Committee recognised the need to endorse the Terms of Reference for the Friends of The Library but highlighted that further work needed to be carried out.

The Director agreed to amend the Terms of Reference as per discussion and this would be re-circulated to the Committee prior to the schools Christmas holiday period

ACTION: Director

25.5 PUBLIC LIBRARY OPENING HOURS

The Committee was circulated a report prior to the meeting.

Members noted that the delay for the Pilot Scheme for the Public Library. The Committee endorsed the amended opening hours for December 2015 only as per below subject to the Directorate publishing the changes efficiently:

Opening Hours:

1st – 19th December Normal Opening:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 10 am – 5 pm

Wednesday: CLOSED

Saturday: 10 am – 1 pm, 6pm – 8 pm

Monday 21st December 10 am – 12 noon

Tuesday 22nd December 10 am – 5 pm

23rd December – 2nd January CLOSED

Reopen 4th January 2016 Normal Opening.

ACTION: Director

25.6 APPRENTICESHIP POLICY REVIEW

Members were happy to delay the review of the Apprenticeship Policy.

25.7 CHARGING POLICY REVIEW

Members were happy to delay the review of the Charging Policy.

24.10 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on:

20 January 2016 commencing at 09.00 hrs at the Education Learning Centre.

There being no further business for discussion, the meeting closed at 11.55 hrs.

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Confirmed:
Cllr Christine Scipio-Odean

Date: 9th December 2015