

Minutes for Lapford Primary School Academy Advisory Group

Friday 10th June 2022, 2.30pm, Remote Meeting

Attendees	Position	
Tim Newman	Director (Chair of AAG)	TN
Lucie Hiscock	Parent AAG Advisory Member	LH
Jess Wright	HoS (LPS)	JW
Rachel Sermon	Clerk	RS
Apologies		
Stacey Lumsdon	Parent AAG Advisory Member	SL
	<u>Arrived agenda item 7.</u>	

Agenda	Led by
1. Welcome and Apologies	TN
2. Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary interests	TN
3. Minutes of previous meeting	TN
4. Safeguarding Update	JW
5. H&S Update	JW
6. Attendance – overall & pupil groups	JW
7. Update on Pupil Progress	JW
8. Curriculum	JW
9. AOB	Parents
10. Date of next meeting	TN

	ITEM
1	Welcome and Apologies Stacey joined the meeting at 2:50pm.
2	Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary interests No interests declared.
3	Previous Minutes All agreed that the minutes were a true record of the previous meeting (11.2.22) and accepted the minutes, as presented.
4	Safeguarding Update JW – A rise in safeguarding issues with children and families, a lot following from COVID, needing support from agencies. It is difficult to get that support at the level that we need. We had a Safeguarding audit last half term which brought up some issues, in particular with recording of Safeguarding incidents. Meeting Caroline Pinsent from Babcock in two weeks to review what has been put into place. Site safety came up – need someone to do a safeguarding risk assessment of the site. TP off at the moment. Signage – The reception area needs clear signposting. Classroom – A safeguarding concern. Caroline felt it was a risk (the one closed off). Mike Johnson is keen to get rid of the out of use classroom ASAP. Mr Sharp came out today to look at it. It should be gone in Summer holidays, giving a blank canvas for the space. It is currently restricting space in Nursery and there is a limited area for the children outside. We can increase the space a lot. It is wasted ground.

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	<p>LH – Are we getting it flattened? JW – Yes. Plan is for N&R to go up to the wall of the classroom, and area beyond that – possibly parents in to renovate it, or create a stage area outside. TN – CCC has two rigid canvas areas for pupils to sit under. Can use when it rains too. LH – Suggests water and sand play there when weather is worse. TN – Suggests a mobile temporary classroom. JW – We don't need the additional space, though.</p>
5	<p>Health & Safety Update Same as above.</p>
6	<p>Attendance – overall & pupil groups JW – 93.52%. Ours is not too bad. Some unauthorised absences – a lot is due to parent attitudes following COVID. The need for pupils to be in school has wavered. Parental attitude. LH – There is a feeling out there that we all need a holiday. JW – Everyone is worse off now, they deserve a holiday if they can afford it. JW – EWO involvement for a couple of families. LH – Is there an employed EWO? JW- Comes from County? TN – Suggest maybe we should have our own EWO? NP drove round collecting GCSE pupils for exams this week. LH - Ted Wragg Trust has 3 EWOs on payroll. Incredibly more effective than LA. They do all prosecutions, push attendance issues with AO. They will meet parents and do legal proceedings up to prosecution stage.</p> <p>Pupil Groups JW – We won't start this until September. Reverting back to 3 classes. Reading the minutes of the previous meeting, it feels like an about turn, but it just isn't working. Different children in different classes in morning, with a large numbers of staff teaching the children. Has a huge impact on academic and SEMH. Pupil numbers have fallen since CW put it into place.</p> <p>We are well staffed, but stretched. New Pupil Groups plan is: N&R, 1&2, 3-5. 29 pupils in 3-5. Still in normal class size. No legal limit will have been reached at that age.</p> <p>LH – Son is in year 2. Feedback from home – who taught you today? There is an issue that we don't know who is teaching him.</p> <p>JW - Afternoon classes are different groups to the morning. Learning links don't flow.</p> <p>LH – Confusing for home learning too.</p>
7	<p>Update on Pupil Progress</p> <p>JW – data isn't great. Behaviour across the school isn't good enough at the moment. The pupils are doing the right thing, but the attitude to learning just isn't there. Staff meetings have taken place, discussing new ideas.</p> <p>New consistent rules across the school. All children know them. Sanction system in place. It wasn't uniform before, with different rules in different classes.</p> <p>Golden Time on Fridays. Some miss it due to behaviour during the week.</p> <p>Introduced house teams across the school. Newly appointed house captains, and team challenges this week.</p> <p>Learning Powers – assembly on Tuesday. Reward system in place.</p> <p>Class Dojo reward system.</p>

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	<p>LH – Sounds really good. My kids have loved it. I’m completely behind the clear boundaries and rules.</p> <p>(Stacey Lumsdon joins the meeting at 2:50pm)</p> <p>SL – a fantastic way to move forward. School has a good understanding of the discipline needed. Excited about the teams.</p>
98	<p>Curriculum</p> <p>JW – Still using Maestro. Continuing next year, but need to look at change in class structure, in case there are gaps.</p> <p>Lesson obs week coming up with a focus on Writing.</p> <p>TN – do you get to see Year 6?</p> <p>JW – Not even met them yet.</p>
10 9	<p>AOB</p> <p>SL – A lot of questions re. derelict building in playground. What is happening?</p> <p>JW – As discussed before SL joined the meeting we are trying to get rid of the building ASAP. Gone by September. No CIF bid, but we don’t need the extra space at the moment. Need the ground space at the moment.</p> <p>SL – Pre-school <u>Nursery</u>, R&1 are all in one room. Creates quite a lot of disruption.</p> <p>New plan is N&R in current building. 1&2 together. 3-5 together.</p> <p>ACTION – letter to parents, once we have date of removal of room, and introduce the new class structure.</p> <p>Yr 5-6 transition days. 12th & 13th July. Incorporate new structure into the transition.</p> <p>TN announces his resignation as a Director.</p>
11	<p>Date of next meeting:</p> <p>Tuesday 1st November 2022 – 2:00pm</p>

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