**Minutes of Glasgow City Parents Group held in the Glasgow Gaelic School on Tuesday 13 November 2018 at 7.00 pm.**

**Present**: Sarah Conboy, Scotstoun Primary; Edward Creaney, Glendale Primary; John Hastie, Garnetbank Primary; Mark Hodgkins, Barmulloch Primary; Andrea Lang, St Vincent’s Primary; Donna Lang, St Benedict’s Primary; Mandy Macfarlane, Clyde Primary; Leanne McGuire, St Paul’s High; Gordon MacIntosh, Clyde Primary; Susan McKellar, Antonine Primary; Elaine MacLeod, Barmulloch Primary; Elizabeth Malorch-Nyamekije, Eastmuir Primary, St Andrews Secondary and St Mungo’s Secondary; Hazel Murray, Castleton Primary; Gillian Neil, St Benedict’s Primary; Gillian Quinn, St Benedict’s Primary; Veronica O’Donoghue, Corpus Christie; Annie Ritchie, Scotstoun Primary; Kathleen To, Garnetbank Primary; Michael Woods, Bankhead Primary and Knightswood Primary.

**Attending**: Alison Crawford, City Principal Psychologist, Glasgow Psychological Service, Education Services, GCC; Kathryn Farrow, Quality Improvement Officer (Parent Partnership), Education Services, GCC; Izzie Eriksen, Apparel Xchange; Martin Savage, Carers Project Pollok; Jordan Livingstone, Young Carers Support, South East/South West Carers Centre; Gillian McCabe, Minute-taker.

1. **Welcome and Introduction**

Kathryn Farrow welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked everyone to introduce themselves.

1. **Powerpoint Presentation by Alison Crawford, City Principal Psychologist, Glasgow Psychological Service, Education Services, Glasgow City Council**

Alison Crawford provided an overview of the support available at school and city level when children and young people have additional learning needs. Alison’s presentation is attached for information. Those in attendance provided feedback that it was a really helpful presentation and extended an invitation for Alison to return to a future meeting.

1. **Young Carer’s Support - Jordan Livingston and Martin Savage**

Leanne McGuire introduced Jordan Livingstone and Martin Savage. Jordan explained to the meeting that in 2016, the Scottish Government passed a Carer’s Act. He said that he can attend school assemblies and explain the role of young carers which takes away the stigma of being a young carer; he can present PSE lessons in school giving young carers support and showing what a positive role this can be.

The contacts details for the Education Workers in the different areas of the city are:

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Jordan Livingstone

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Martin Savage, Carers Project Pollok, explained his role and circulated a Carers Information booklet & referral form which explains the services on offer. He explained that he supports adults and said that everyone has a caring role. Martin highlighted the support and advice available about money, health checks for carers and courses for dealing with Autism and Dementia.

Since the meeting Martin has offered to go to Parent Council Meetings and give a more formal presentation to all members. This would last about fifteen minutes and would give a fuller explanation of what the service can do to support the carers across the city. If this is would be helpful, can Parent Councils please get in touch with Martin Savage (email: [Martin.Savage@glasgow.gov.uk](mailto:Martin.Savage@glasgow.gov.uk)) or his Manager, John Haxton (email: [john.haxton@glasgow.gov.uk](mailto:john.haxton@glasgow.gov.uk)).

1. **Izzie Erikson, Apparel Xchange**

Izzie explained that Apparel Xchange is a social enterprise which tries to kit children out in an affordable uniform by reusing and recycling uniforms. They receive used uniforms from schools lost property and from parents. They check, wash and sell these garments at a small cost. The enterprise is trying to make children aware of the supply chain, their massive duty to preserve the planet, learn how to wash their clothes, put labels on them and hopefully with this knowledge make better choices. The enterprise has a Pop-up shop in the southside of Glasgow. For your information, attached is a flyer about the forthcoming Pop-up shop sale days.

Izzie Erikson’s contact details are:

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1. **Date of next meeting**

Tuesday 15th January 2019 at 7pm in Glasgow Gaelic School - 147 Berkeley Street, Glasgow, G3 7HP, Scotland.