

Calderhead HS Parent Council

Minutes

Thursday 4th June 2026



	Actioned By:
<p>Present Audra MacPhee, Gordon Muir, Sharon Muir, Kirsteen Boyd, Jemma Millar, Edward Ford, Colin Shearer, Cllr Leckie, Denise Dickson, Jennifer Di Mambro.</p>	
<p>Apologies Apologies received from, Maxine Paterson, Cllr McCulloch, Lisa McAllister, Moira Williams, Cristina Radulescu, Cllr Hughes.</p>	
<p>Welcome Audra MacPhee welcomed everyone to the meeting. Minutes from May's meeting approved by Gordon Muir, seconded by Kirsteen Boyd.</p>	
<p>HT Update</p> <p>Staffing April Stillie has been appointed as Acting PT English & Drama. English teacher to cover maternity leave of K Wilson still to be confirmed. Advert out for temporary teacher of Drama. Probationer teacher of PE to cover maternity leave of Demi Morrisey. Advert out for: 0.4fte non-term time clerical assistant 0.4fte non-term time admin assistant (office manager) 0.6fte term-time clerical assistant</p> <p>New Timetable & S5/6 Induction New timetable started on 1st June. 3-day induction for S5/6:</p> <p>Monday 1st June</p> <p>P1 All S5/6 Vision, Values & Expectations Role of Senior Pupil - Contracts Leavers Destinations</p> <p>P2-7 S5 MVP training</p> <p>P2-3 S6 - Leadership Opportunities: Community Leadership Roles & Expectations Pupil Leadership Team & Role of Officials - Applications</p> <p>P4 Community Partnership Officer Session</p> <p>P5 House Activity</p> <p>Period 6 & 7 MVP Refresher Session Buddying Training session</p> <p>Tuesday 2nd June & Wednesday 3rd June S5/6 L6 First Aid or L5 Mental Health First Aid Army session: Elite Skills</p>	

L4 Employability Award

Team Building

SDQ

Thursday 4th June

S4 potential leavers in May 27 + other S4 pupils: L6 First Aid

Ben Nevis

Award Ceremony

Our annual Award Ceremony will be held on 18th June 2026 in the Assembly Hall at 1.30pm. Pupils will receive their letters next week and parent/carers are invited to attend. We have notified the local community for sponsorship for this event and so far we have received a donation towards sponsorship from parent Rochelle Bucknell, which we are extremely grateful for.

Performing Arts Showcase

This event will be held on Monday 15th June 7pm-9pm and will feature dancers, musicians and singers from S1-6. The link to tickets is in this month's newsletter and has been sent out to parents/carers.

Hub Update

There has been a pause on the plans for the CLD Hub. Ongoing meetings are taking place. The expected date for this is now Oct 26.

Building Work

We are looking forward to the scheduled updates to our football pitch.

The sports field is causing some concern. At the moment, this needs to be re-sprayed every year and has limited use.

In session 26-27, enquiries to be made on potential funding for multi-purpose surfacing on school's sports field so that this could be used as a sports area for multiple sports as well as athletics.

The external classroom for construction courses is underway.

Electrical works will be carried out over the summer which will result in temporary loss of electricity to the building.

Parental Engagement

June Newsletter was issued on 1st June

Thanks to Audra MacPhee & Gordon Muir, who leave our parent council this session, for their continued, unrelenting support, time, and dedication to our school community. Their commitment has made a real and lasting difference, and their efforts are truly valued and appreciated by staff, pupils, and families alike. They will be greatly missed, and we are sincerely grateful for all they have done.

Vacancies / Roles

Audra MacPhee (Chair) and Gordon Muir (Secretary) are stepping down at the end of this term as their children Myren and Rory leave Calderhead. These roles are to be filled at the AGM in September.

Parental Engagement Update

We are focussed on 3 key areas to improve parental engagement and are tracking performance against these areas, namely communication, response and events at each PC meeting.

Parental Involvement and Engagement Audit Toolkit

School: Calderhead HS Completed by: Jennifer Di Mambro (School) & Audra MacPhee (Parent Council)

Date Completed: 24/10/25 Date for Planned Review: October 2026

Choose selection of questions from above (eg)	How are we doing?	How do we know?	What are we going to do now?	When are we going to do it?
How effective are communication channels at delivering critical school and student specific information across the domains of education / support for learning, attendance / wellbeing, success / celebration?				
What steps could be taken to make it easier or more appealing for parents / carers to provide feedback and / or engage in dialogue after receiving feedback or contact with the school?				
How successful are our positive destination related school events (e.g. study skills workshops, DYW, careers events) in maximising attendance among target parent groups and driving specific parental actions and / or follow-up engagement?				

RAG System

Red- no evidence Yellow – Some evidence Green – Working well Purple- Working very well

Communication of events / information / successes from PC via FB / X.

Fundraising

Easyfundraising has been running since November 2025 – we have 37 supporters and a total of £216.73 has been raised to date.

AOB

Allanton School Bus: following issues raised about this bus services being withdrawn it has been confirmed that NLC will run this service 26/27. Information on bus scheduling to be distributed to parents / carers when SPT release details.

JD

Meeting Dates 2026/2027

- Thurs 3rd September 2026 (AGM)
- Thurs 1st October 2026
- Thurs 12th November 2026
- Thurs 3rd December 2026
- Thurs 4th February 2027
- Thurs 4th March 2027
- Thurs 6th May 2027
- Thurs 3rd June 2027

Note of Thanks

Audra MacPhee and Gordon Muir would like to thank the Parent Council and Jennifer Di Mambro for the gifts presented at our final Parent Council meeting and the very kind words as we demit office. We would like to thank the Parent Council committee for their support over the years. To Jennifer Di Mambro and the staff at Calderhead thank you for the support you afford the young people at Calderhead and for the inclusive dynamic PC experience. With exciting times ahead, we know that the Parent Council and the Parent Forum will have an important role to play in Calderhead's future. While we are sad to be leaving, we are grateful for the fond memories and the fantastic people we have met along the way.

Next Meeting

Next meeting is Thursday 3rd September 2026 at 18:00 at Calderhead HS. This meeting is the Annual General Meeting (AGM). All parents / carers of pupils at CHS are invited to attend.