



Parent Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday 2 October 2024

Hallside Primary School

**1. Welcome, Apologies, Previous Minutes and Opening Remarks (ES)**

***1.1 Present: ES, JB, AS, JF, AMcD, KL, GB, SS, LMCC***

***1.2 Welcome and opening remarks: ES thanked everyone for attending***

***1.3 Apologies: RB, LO, WB, AR***

***1.4 Previous minutes (any clarifications and amendments) Point 7 of previous minutes covered by SS in HT report***

**2. Head Teacher's Report (SS)**

**3. Councillors' Reports - KL discussed various issues:**

**3.1 Buses - decision made at executive committee, close vote 12-14 with one abstention, now subject to 6 month rule even to amend criteria - 100s of route requests still outstanding**

**3.2 Libraries - Still one group interested in taking over Halfway Library - discussions ongoing - Cambuslang Library ? still to be open for 2 years - recent closures ie at Eastfield due to staffing - Cambuslang Community Council planning to have possible Hub in Cambuslang with potential library service**

**3.3 Shops at Newton Farm - Currently Pharmacy Consultation ongoing - Councillors KL and CH have been meeting with developers from Crucible - Planning has been approved by the council**

**3.4 Robertson Trust - suggested for possible funding opportunities - ES to look into it ?FoH or PC can use - KL will send link over to ES**

**3.5 JF asked KL about difficulties in getting council to agree to allow parents to assist with transport to and from events - KL to raise with Ann Donaldson (Head of Area)**

**3.6 Discussed local minibus options - Parkview have recently acquired minibus with PB money - ?possible to borrow - SS to enquire - KL will also enquire re community minibus options**

4. Friends of Hallside - Hallside Halloween Disco planned during school day, also CO-OP has contacted the school offering snacks etc - email has been forwarded to Elaine at FoH to look into
5. Funding subgroup - ES/AS advised that the card is now working for online purchases - bike shed has been ordered - £500 saved with discount - due to be installed 2/12/24 - colour Green - HPC agreed this was OK - cones and cupboards have been purchased. Updated quote received for bike stand - SS has checked and it is in stronger material to protect from wind - SS happy with quote - AS to discuss with Alex Cycling Scotland - Interim Report Submitted by AS - SS to check with RB regarding position of possible scooter park ?able to use under overhang or better next to bike stand. Still need to order helmets - for discussion by Sports Leadership Pupil Group - due to start back up next week. AS/GB to collate list of accessories required.
6. Participatory Budget - SS asked for ideas for which this could be spent on - previous suggestions from pupils have included cinema trip, tutors, maths trolley etc - JF and AS suggested theatre trips, RSNO, Celtic Connections, Classical Concerts - "Culture Capital"
7. AGM and election of officer bearers (all).  
HPC Annual Report to Follow  
Office bearers:  
ES proposed by AS as Chair and seconded by AMcD  
AS proposed by LMCC as Vice Chair and seconded by ES  
GB proposed by ES as Treasurer and seconded by JB  
LMcC proposed by GB as Secretary and seconded by AS
8. Next meeting –6<sup>th</sup> November 2024 at 6:30pm
9. AOB - discussed possibility of trialling a Zoom meeting to encourage more attendees, possibly ?Feb - possibly send out Poll in the interim



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**Headteacher Report**

Welcome

Thank you, as always, to everyone for your support and input into the life and work of the school. The current school roll is 289. This continues to increase on a regular basis with new children joining the school community. All our children have settled into their classes very well.

Staffing

Delighted to welcome Miss Lily Muir to the school every Friday as part of our staffing entitlement (14.9 FTE, were working at 14.7FTE). Miss Muir will support cover of classes as required. Sad news Mrs Talent's mum passed away. Mrs O'Neill and Mr Bamford have been covering the class. A huge thank you to them for ensuring learning and opportunities continue for the children within this class. Mrs Linda Rennie has been allocated to the school starting tomorrow 3<sup>rd</sup> October. Mrs Rennie will work every Tuesday and Thursday at Hallside until Mrs Talent returns (as we have 0.6 existing additionality we will not receive cover for the full week.) Miss Leslie is unwell and unable to be in school. We wish Miss Leslie a speedy recovery. No cover is available for support staff generally. However, I have managed to secure Mrs Linda Archibald (SSA) to work in the school office on Mondays and Tuesdays. Unfortunately, as a result of staffing issues we have been unable to hold athletics after school club or after school girls football.

Improvement Planning Session 24-25

Doors Open Event – changed format this session based on feedback last year regarding consistency of input between classes. Continue to review and plan opportunities throughout the year for parental engagement.

One such opportunity is Family homework club. This will return starting Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October 3pm - 4pm. (Location dining hall with possible access to ICT Suite).

Attendance – As a learning community we have reviewed approach to attendance. Leaflet

Operational Update

P7 residential information evening session last Wednesday. The P7s will attend Lockerbie Manor this session. Change of provider from Abernethy Trust to Manor Adventures for logistical reasons e.g. journey time/cost/availability.

Communication – As agreed at previous meeting after valuable feedback from PC we have moved to Parents Portal for all communication. Mrs O'Hara and I attended training on utilising this.

Parent/Carer Calendar shared via Parents Portal – important dates for the year ahead.

Christmas Fayre – Moved to evening event. Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December – evening. (Same day as P1 nativity.)

As you know – school photographer visited the school last week to take individual and family photos of children. Photos that I saw looked lovely. Children were very excited.

Senior pupils attended Netball Fun 5z event this week.

Athletics team attending Sportshall athletics on Friday.

Windows not cleaned – cost approx. £290 (£58 VAT Total £344)

Cost to clear Muga Pitch of encroaching shrubbery - £366.15

Positive – grass and edgings now being cut regularly.

### Budget

£34,300 Pupil Equity Funding for Session 24-25. We have allocated £7154 for participatory budgeting.

£2800 Replacement Equipment Fund

Core Budget – No funds in core budget.

School fund - £12000 (This includes Parent Council funds of £3500 for bike shelter replacement and P7 Residential funds.)

Welcome any comments, questions or suggestions.

*“When we work together everything is within our reach.”*

