

EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF TRUSTEES

BOLTON IMPACT TRUST

WEDNESDAY 16 JANUARY 2019 AT 10.00AM AT YOUTH CHALLENGE

Present: M Powell (MP) Chair, B Atkinson (BA), K Davies (KD), T Grimshaw (TG), S Hincks (SH), Paul Hodgkinson (PH) - Executive Head Teacher, D McKeon (DMc), M Sidebottom (MS) and Allan Slater (AS)

In Attendance: R Leonard (Vice-Principal and Youth Challenge Academy Lead), D Smith (DS) - Finance Director and E Stoddard (ES) – Clerk

MARY POWELL IN THE CHAIR

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies for absence had been received.

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

MP and BA both indicated that they had previously declared a potential interest regarding agenda item 6 (Co-operative Academy Trust). TG declared an interest in agenda item 5 as his sister works at Lever Park.

No further declarations of pecuniary interest were made.

3. NOTIFICATION OF ANY OTHER BUSINESS

3.1 Ofsted Inspection – Forwards Centre

PH reported that the Forwards Centre had received a Section 8 Ofsted Inspection last week. The inspection had been very challenging, with a focus on safeguarding and outcomes, but the provision had retained its good judgement. PH reported that the inspector had been very impressed with the Phase 1 and Phase 2 outcomes and would be returning next year to conduct a Section 5 inspection. The inspector had commented that she was 'in a school that I dream about'. In response to questions PH stated that he was confident that the provision would receive a judgement of outstanding at the next inspection. PH stated that the Academy SEF had been validated by many external sources and had been challenged, supported and enhanced by governors on the Standards Committee. Trustees were informed that the inspector had also agreed with the judgements in the SEF.

SH joined the meeting.

In response to questions PH stated that the other academies within the Trust were well prepared for inspection and PH and DS were to meet with office staff to ensure that office systems and procedures were also Ofsted ready.

On behalf of Trustees the Chair asked that thanks be passed on to the Academy Lead all staff at the Forwards Centre.

4. UPDATE ON LA PAYMENTS

The Trust Board having designated details of the discussion that followed as confidential in accordance with Article 125 of the Articles of Association, this information is excluded from these minutes.

5. LEVER PARK

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6. OTHER ACADEMY TRUST

This item had been discussed under agenda item 4.

7. COMMISSIONING / TENDERING

This item had been discussed under agenda item 4.

8. PRIMARY LOCAL GOVERNING BOARD

The Executive Principal reported that Primary Youth Challenge needed to be brought closer to Secondary Youth Challenge as they had the same URN number and needed a single SEF. With this in mind, and following advice from Bolton Governance Services, it was proposed that Primary Youth Challenge be moved from the Primary Local Governing Board (LGB) and placed within the Secondary Local Governing Board alongside Secondary Youth Challenge.

This would result in an increase in the number of staff governors on the Secondary LGB by one position to ensure there was representation from each academy. It was noted that the staff governor on the Primary LGB would transfer over to the Secondary LGB and the number of staff governors on the Primary LGB would reduce from two to one. Trustees were informed that the terms of reference for both LGBs would need to be updated accordingly.

- Agreed:**
- i) That Primary Youth Challenge be moved from the Primary Local Governing Board and be placed within the Secondary Local Governing Board
 - ii) That the Terms of Reference for the Primary LGB and Secondary LGB be updated accordingly

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The Chair proposed that an additional meeting be held in the next few weeks, so Trustees could receive an update on today's discussions.

Agreed: i) That an Extraordinary Trust Board meeting be held on Wednesday 6 February 2019 at 10.00am at Smithills School*

ii) That the next termly meeting of the Trust Board to be held on Tuesday 2 April 2019 at 4.00pm at Youth Challenge

*SH advised that she may be unable to attend this meeting due to prior work commitments.

10. CONSENT TO ABSENCE

All Trustees were present at today's meeting.

11. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

There were no items of Any Other Business.

12. CONFIDENTIALITY

The Chair reminded all Trustees that strict confidentiality was required regarding today's discussions.

Agreed: That the main items of discussion at this meeting be designated as confidential in accordance with the Academy's Memorandum and Articles of Association including:

Minute Number 2,3,4 and 5

With no further business the meeting closed at 12.00 pm

Signed as a correct record: _____

Date: _____

(Chair of Trust Board)