CLYST VALE ACADEMY TRUST

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Minutes of Curriculum, Learning & Teaching Committee meeting held at Clyst Vale Community College in Meeting Room 1, at 5.30 pm, on 5th October 2017.

Committee Attendees	Initials		Committee Attendees	Initials	
Greg Evans (Chair)	GE	Member Appointed	Lévon Stephan	LSt	Co-opted
Dorothy Ruscoe	DR	Member Appointed	Crawford Winlove From 6 pm	CW	Member Appointed

Apologies	Initials	Reason
Kevin Bawn	KB	Principal
Gina Stroud	GS	Co-opted
Melanie Prance	MP	Staff
Tina White	TW	Parent Governor
Paul Sutton	PSu	Staff

Absent	Initials

In Attendance		CVCC	
Adrian Green	AG	Vice-Principal (SLT)	
Dave Walters	DW	SLT item.35	
Deborah Custance Baker	DCB	Clerk	

Visitors	Initials

Minutes

ITEM NO.	ITEM	Owner	Date Due
17/18.1	Declarations of Business Interests	GE	
	None.		
17/18.2	Attendance/Apologies	GE	
	Apologies from Kevin Bawn, Gina Stroud, Melanie Prance and Paul Sutton.		
16/17.33	Minutes of the previous meeting	GE	
	The minutes of the meeting on 26 th June 2017 had been		
	previously circulated. Two amendments were made:		
	Item 16/17.38 should read Conversations between Link		
	and Heads of SUBJECT		
	Item 16/17.39 should read CHILDREN LOOKED AFTER		
	Having made these amendments the minutes were		
	approved and signed by the Chair.		
16/17.34	Matters arising	GE	
	None		
16/17.35	Monitoring (Standing Item)	DW	
	Exams Analysis		
	DW stated that at the end of October/early November		
	exam analysis data will be presented on the official		
	performance DfE website. There are currently two parallel		

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	data presentation methods. ASP which is the old measure and used by DfE, and ASPIRE which is used by FFT. ASP provides the basics, without much detail, and no trend patterns. However, ASPIRE has a target setting system, taking into account the starting point for each child – gender, birth month, etc CVCC will use both systems. DW gave an interesting and informative presentation using the ASP data. Currently stats show that Progress 8 students straddle the line, however if you remove the 7 (possibly 9) intractable students then stats show progress has been made. In 2016/17 there were only 4 intractable students. It must be remembered that CVCC is an inclusive school.GE commented that the progress made has been significant however, more progress can and should be made. AG agreed that an improvement has been made on the headline figure. Attainment 8 stats – again if the intractable students were removed stats would look much better. AG to ask KB if Governors should have the ability to log in to ASP or ASPIRE websites Heads of Subjects should be congratulated on giving more accurate predictions. ASPIRE site can go back over three years, 2015 results were good for CVCC so the three year average will be much better. Bottom performing subjects, over the last three years,	AG/KB Clerk	
	were Business Studies – now going Health and Social Care Additional Maths Religious Studies Science results have not been brilliant, but AG is aware of it, there have been staffing problems. It was suggested that Dave Walters and Michelle Barratt report on the ASPIRE stats to a Full Board Meeting CW asked who was doing Additional Maths this year. It was agreed that this had been a poor Maths year, children had not been pushed enough. In future only students taking Maths A Level will be allowed to take Additional Maths	DW/ Clerk	
	Summative Exam reviews/Subject Analysis and Feedback from GCSE Results GE asked to have a form produced by Heads of subject to monitor how they feel the subjects have done. AG stated that every September KB and the link have a meeting with Heads of Department to analyse the results with a breakdown by student gender, disadvantaged/more able, etc. Heads of dept. are asked how they are going to change plans for the following year, this all links into the college Improvement Plan. Staff have to be honest and hold their colleagues to account.		

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17/18.6	Use of Funds for Disadvantaged Learners – Standing Item AG reported that CVCC is still vulnerable. However if you take out 6 non attendees it does considerably improve the situation. In June 2017 C,L&T were given a detailed document stating concerns for exam results. 24.9% of Year 7 students are disadvantaged learners. AG went through the planned actions Rebalance whole SAIF implications, focussing only on disadvantaged learners, to target them. A new post has been created, Julia Knowles, has become a specific achievement coach. She is working with the first cohort, currently 9 x Y11 students, for 6 – 10weeks. Year 11 has 36 students, 19 of whom are under-achieving, JK is having a half hour meeting with each one once a fortnight, and also working with the parents. 2 x Disadvantaged Learner lead teachers to be appointed during the current year. GE asked if these were to be TLR or Honorarium positions – GE thought Honorarium might be more interesting to staff. GE was impressed by the obvious joined up approach by SLT now, and therefore supporting individual students. English and Maths catch up tuition is due to start after half term. The team will engage with Next Steps SW programme to raise aspiration. AG stated that On Line learning packages were available and could be re-instated. GCSE podcasts are available and can be listened to on any mobile device. These can motivate children. We must get students engaged – the coaching Support can help by logging on the information to students' phones – this is an innovative and different way of learning. CW asked if CVCC used Lingo app for languages – this is a free app to teach yourself languages and has leader boards to appeal to the competitive nature	AG	
16/17.39	Policies Learning and Teaching Policy AG Some amendments needed to be made to the wording of the Home-College Partnership – do not start a sentence with AND, remove the personal sentence "AS A PARENT OF TWO…", change the date to Sept 2017 A question was raised as to whether we ask new students in Year 7 to sign this at their start at CVCC. GS and GE to read the message from the Governors and possibly change it. CPD Policy GE CPD leader is AG LS asked if Governors should be included? - they are in 2.7. Accessibility Plan - carried over to January 2018	GE GS/GE	

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	ICT Policy and BYOD. AG A few changes have been made to tighten up practice. One amendment still to be made, for clarity – Answers to Frequently Asked Questions – question 1 – insert However, gmail, Hotmail accounts are free. All Governors need to sign a form stating that they have read this document. Received from LS, DR,CW, and GE	Clerk	
16/17.40	Items at the discretion of the Chair	GE	
	Behaviour Update PSu There is a new Behaviour Policy in place, and a positive reaction from staff, students and parents General Expectation document has been distributed to all to address "out of lessons behaviour" giving different requirements – walking in corridors, being fair etc Work underway to develop policy for "Challenging Few" – harder line already being taken, PSu and KB had numerous meetings with parents of key students to make clear their expectations. Assemblies for all taken by KB to set tone, Harder line has resulted in early number of FTE but message is being sent which, over time, will impact positively	PSu	
	This had been one of the best C, L and T meetings for a long time. LS remarked that everything was positive.		
	A copy of the Parliamentary Review had been received and given to GE. He suggested we should order more copies, one for each governor, and also one for the main library	Clerk	

The meeting ended at 7.50 pm

Signed by the Chair:-

Approved, as a true and accurate record of the Meeting on the 5th October 2017.

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Committee Members:

Gina Stroud Co-opted Levon Stephan Co-opted

Kevin Bawn Principal/Governor

Gregg Evans Member Appointed Governor

Paul Colin Staff Governor

Mel Prance Dorothy Ruscoe Crawford Winlove Tina White Srtaff Governor Member Appointed Member Appointed Governor Parent Governor

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Meeting Dates			
	22nd January 2018	Meeting Room 1	5.30 pm
	30 th April 2018	Meeting Room 1	5.30 pm
	25 th June 2018	Meeting Room 3	5.30 pm