



Cheney School Academy Trust – Meeting of Trustees

Confirmed Minutes of meeting on Tuesday 2nd February 2016 at 5:00pm at Cheney School

In the Chair:	Dr Durning
Present:	Mr Stamper, Mrs Kirby, Mr Busby, Dr Hindley, Professor Brighthouse
Absent	
In attendance:	Mrs Medley (Head of Bayards Hill School), Miss Flegg (Clerk)

	Minutes	Action
	Part 1 – Non Confidential Business	
1.	<p>Apologies for absence and declaration of interest</p> <p>No apologies for absence or declarations of interest were received.</p> <p>The meeting was quorate.</p>	
2.	<p>Non confidential minutes of the previous meeting held 7 December 2015 (5 minutes)</p> <p>Trustees reviewed the minutes of the previous meeting, which were agreed and approved as a correct version.</p>	
3.	<p>Review of Trust level actions (5 minutes)</p> <p>Trustees reviewed the action grid and confirmed items as discharged and reviewed the ongoing items.</p> <p>It was noted that Dr Hindley had met with the Safeguarding Leads of both schools and that a meeting summary would be sent to the Headteacher of each school.</p> <p>It was also highlighted that the Critical Incident Plan would be circulated to Trustees.</p>	JKI
	Items for Approval	
4.	<p>Expression of Interest</p> <p>Trustees received the draft Expression of Interest (circulated in advance of the meeting). The documents were discussed and the following key points were raised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Potential positives of partnership were noted, including the focus of the new school on sports, health and student wellbeing, the fact that the school would be a new build and the relative geographic closeness. It was noted that research suggested that more efficient practice and structures were evident in MAT chains with approximately 5,000-6,000 students and that the most effective structure would include more than one secondary school. - Trustees stressed the need for the Trust to act always in the public interest when considering expansion, and highlighted the need for a clear strategy for Trust development to be designed. Trustees underlined that all options should be considered. CEO to draft strategy for Trustee 	JKI

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	<p>review at next meeting</p> <p>- Trustees approved the submission of the Expression of Interest, subject to the inclusion of a note in the document outlining that CSAT was developing its strategy for Academy growth.</p>	JKI
	Items for Information	
13.	<p>Items for agenda of next meeting</p> <p>Trust strategy for expansion</p>	
14.	<p>Date and location of next meeting</p> <p>5:00pm, 23 March 2016, Cheney School</p>	

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