



Newmarket Vision: Education Delivery Group

16th September 2015, Newmarket Academy

Meeting Notes

In Attendance: Cllr Lisa Chambers, Catherina Scott-Hart, Angela Whatley, Gareth Betts-Davies, Suzanne Pearson, Nick Froy, Cllr Ruth Allen, Dave Perkins, Graeme Lockey, Rachel Wood, Lynda Bereton

Apologies: Howard Lay, Judith Mobbs, Amy Starkey, Cllr Hudson, Richard Baldwin, Gabrielle Bell, Nikon Savvas,

1) Newmarket Head Teacher Vision

At the last meeting we heard from all the Newmarket head teachers and the excellent work going on in our schools but fell short of articulating a vision which we could all buy into/contribute to.

Dave Perkins and Nick Froy talked through the vision created by Newmarket Head teachers (attached).

Suggestions;

- link into Community Connect group to help link with local business
- share good practice with Ipswich in regard to welcome packs for pupils/families who are EOL
- Define the need for a special school
- Need community support in governance
- Hold an open evening to recruit school governors-circulate through networks, advertise it, use chamber of commerce
- Tap into SCC governor services
- Build links with local churches and businesses
- Connect with retired community
- Develop a leaflet-FHDC offer to circulate this in their quarterly mail outs
- Important to network first, hold event as a follow up
- Add actions around skills gap, those who come out of the education system, employability, raising aspirations, pupil premium children, support for parents and families, local democracy, arts, communications

ACTION:

- DP/NF/CH to take on board comments/suggestions and develop a final vision with accompanying action plan which partners can commit to and will be reviewed at each subsequent meeting via Red/amber/green rating.
- LC to attend next Community Connect group (CS-H to give details of date)
- RW to share school governors sheet
- FHDC already support Chamber of commerce. GL to ask them to hold a business forum on skills with support of SCC skills team

Early years

GB-D shared information about the Early Years Foundation Stage Profile data (statutory assessment at the end of Reception Year) for 2015.

<u>2015</u>	<u>SUFFOLK</u>	<u>England</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Children achieving a Good Level of Development (GLD)	67.8% <i>(8.7% increase)</i>	66.2%	+1.4%
Average Total Point Score	33.9	34.3	-0.6

- County Focus

GLD: Whilst 6.9% more pupils eligible for Pupil Premium (PP) achieved a GLD in 2015 than in 2014, the gap between PP and Non PP has widened - by 1.8%. Within Newmarket, 5 out of the 7 schools had a percentage of children achieving GLD at least 5% above the national average. The remaining two were within 5% of the average. No data is currently available on the breakdown in performance of vulnerable groups within Newmarket.

- Sufficiency of Childcare provision in Newmarket

Newmarket remains a 'hotspot' area in the county where the number of available places doesn't match the potential need, should all parents of funded 2, 3 and 4 year olds chose to take up their entitlement. Currently around 40% of all 2 year olds eligible for the funding are still not taking up their place. The Effective Pre-School, Primary & Secondary Education (EPPSE) project recently published findings

that emphasised the significant impact on attainments and earning potential resulting from starting good quality provision at 2 years of age. All settings in Newmarket currently meet this standard.

The next Local Area Liaison Meeting for all those working with children aged 0-5, including Early Years providers, schools and children's centres is to be held on 14th October, 4.30p. – 6pm at Foley House Children's Centre.

ACTION: GB-D to liaise with Early Years settings to feed into the School Leaders 'vision'.

2) Young Enterprise

Pat and Patricia took the group through a workbook which gave a flavour of the types of topics covered by the primary programme aimed at year 5 and 6. They also run a year -long company competition.

ACTION: DP to circulate to other Newmarket schools to see if there is an appetite to run this course in schools. LC/RA/CH to see if local elected members would be willing to support the costs from locality budgets

3) Dubai Futures Programme

NF wanted to express his gratitude to AS and her team for the fantastic opportunities provided to his students in a week long programme which highlighted the diversity and value and opportunities in the horse racing world. More details of the next programme will follow shortly.

4) Any Other business:

- A new service for parents, by parents-for more information contact SP
- RB request for anyone interested in being involved in progressing a project to help young people achieve their ambition of having a drop-in youth café in the town to contact him directly