

**BROUGHTON PRIMARY SCHOOL
PARENT COUNCIL**

Minutes

**Parent Council Meeting
Wednesday 17th November 2010
School staff room, Broughton Primary School**

Present:

Chair, Lindsay Law (LL), Ailsa McMullan (AM), Gordon Chrumka (GC), Donna Douglas (DD), Gillian Hutton (GH), Jackie Blair (JB), Debbie Telford (DT), Jennifer Williamson (JW), Gareth Overton (GO), Elaine Thomson (ET), Amy Pierce (AP) and Joanne Hood (JH)

Apologies:

Hazel Irvine, Alan Devine, Charlotte di Corpo, John Gardner, Lorna Garner, Aileen Harris, Hazel Irvine, Lesley Shepherd

2.	<p><u>Chairperson Report</u></p> <p>The Budget Consultation Results had been released which seemed to summarise most of the views of consultants. LL reports that the consultation was quite hostile, with many strong emotions around many of the subjects. There were a number of Union representatives handing out leaflets against the privatisation of public services, and this agenda hijacked the meeting, to a certain extent. The Subject of outsourcing created lots of discussion but there was only time for the panel to answer 3 questions before they had to move on which all found frustrating. When voting on questions came around it was also frustrating due to the phrasing of the questions and no "Maybe" option. The results that have been reported in the document, sent to all attendees, were quite similar across the town hall meetings, but the views of young persons also consulted on the same issues seemed very different (although this was a very small sample size). Some good ideas were presented, but the council need to act.</p> <p>GC reports that the budget meeting for schools will take place on 15th December. LL and GC both plan to attend to represent Broughton Primary School parents.</p> <p>Noticeboard details taken and order given to Linda in office to place an order for.</p>	Action LL and GC to attend meeting
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3.	<p>Head Teachers Report AD not present</p>	
4.	<p>CCWP Update GC reports that there has been a consultation for dates for 2012/2013 and replies to be in by Jan. Proposals by EL council to start back from summer term 1 week later to allow full use of the Festival. We are to consider impact on school and possible end date forward and not extend holidays by any more time. The consultation details are available on the following website: http://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/info/675/consultations_on_education/1229/school_term_dates_consultation</p> <p>FACE newsletter out now issue 8/9.</p> <p>Proposals to close 2 nurseries in Edinburgh but no more Primary or High Schools before 2012.</p> <p>Community access for lets in Primary Schools is coming under scrutiny by the Council. A report has been submitted for access to High Schools and to standardise charges all over, as there are huge variations. Edinburgh Leisure has proposed to take over all management of all sports facilities at certain schools, and share the income with the schools, however schools will not get priority on lets. Broughton High School (one of the proposed schools) is interested due to the workload they currently have trying to manage the volume of lets in their sports facilities.</p> <p>Early Years are looking to reduce costs of deferrals by disallowing all referrals for children born in Aug-Dec.</p> <p>All school leavers 16+ are to receive a relevant offer of their options available on approach to leaving.</p>	<p>Action</p> <p>GC to feedback</p>
5.	<p>Road Safety Update The crossing McDonald Rd has been received well by Lollipop guides as it is slowing cars down and they are feeling slightly more protected. There are no plans to make the build-out permanent until the trams are complete.</p> <p>Lights at pelican crossing have now been changed and there is now no flashing amber. All have noticed a difference. Road markings have also been re-done.</p> <p>ET has spoken with Road Safety Officer Fiona McRae and has a leaflet about safe parking etc to get printed out and given out in schoolbags. Lorna Henderson can also ask for funding for some banners for the front of the school.</p>	<p>Leaflets to be printed ET to contact LH re banners</p>

6.	<p><u>Projects</u> Noticeboards have been ordered. GC is going to create a website, based on the existing BPS design. There are a lot of factors to consider and he will need input on layout, design, graphics, content.</p>	<p>GC to continue good work</p>
7.	<p><u>AOB</u> Playground has no update; JG has sent apologies and work will not start until 2011. Old house grounds and empty office building: no updates provided by Council. Still awaiting isolation of boiler. For sale signs have now been erected on both sites (they are being sold as a joint or separate lots).</p>	
8.	<p><u>Date of Next Meeting</u> Wed 19th January 2011 Parent Council 7.30-8.30</p>	