



Minutes of Parent Consultation

Resource Meeting on 12 May 2015

All those present confirmed that they had no pecuniary interest in any Out of Hours Provision.

In addition those present acknowledged the need to treat any matters discussed in confidence to ensure that an open discussion may be held.

The 3 overarching principles were explained to those present – a primarily social objective, inclusivity and the legacy for all children , current and future.

Budget

- The proposed charges used in the model available to Governors were discussed - £2.50 for a morning session and £5.50 for an evening.
- In principle agreement was received that the prices were fair on grounds of affordability.
- Some discussion that it was a “bargain” for a breakfast club and could lead to very high demand. The matter of inclusivity was then discussed and the desire to have provisions accessible for all.
- A wish for split pricing based on set time periods was noted. [further feedback has been received].
- A wish for a holiday club was expressed.
- It was agreed that persistent lateness should be charged and any T&Cs clearly give discretion to any team leader to enforce charges.
- Some discussion that the grounds for closure should be given and the refund policy be provided for such matters as Strike Days, Inset days and school closure for weather.
- Payment terms were discussed but not specifically requested. Those present understood the need for advance payment and to minimise cash receipt
- The childcare voucher scheme was welcomed.

Staffing

- The proposed staffing ratios of 1:10 or 1:15 were discussed along the aim to use TA's. Some concern over length of hours. Assurances were given that the school leadership consider that the staffing is more than achievable and that key workers are available.
- The need for a team leader was emphasised and a point of contact in the office.
- An expression of desire to have a clear conscience with regard to the treatment of the staff of the existing provider was made.

Resources

- The need for some capital expenditure was explained and that it may have to be funded initially from the general school surplus by way of a loan prior to generating a surplus was confirmed.
- It was recognised that some parents may be upset by such a loan.
- In principle agree with the putting aside of surplus for possible legacy funding on grounds of social needs.
- Wear and tear on school equipment such as ICT was raised as a point to consider.

In summary the parents felt assured and confident that if a place was wanted then one is to be provided to those children.