

Schools Performance Scrutiny Panel

Date: 10 November 2014 (extra meeting)

Time: 4.30pm (pre meeting for panel members at 4.15pm)

Venue: Meeting Room 3 (2.2.7.), Civic Centre

Members of the Panel:

Fiona Gordon	Paul Meara
Mike Day	Anthony Colburn
Beverley Hopkins	Penny Matthews
Cheryl Philpott	Robert Smith
Mandy Evans	Dave Anderson-Thomas (Parent Governor Co-optee)
Hazel Morris	Sarah Joiner (Parent Governor Co-optee)

Also invited:

Robert Francis-Davies – LA Governor at the School and Ward Councillor

Copy of Agendas for information to:

Arwyn Thomas (Chief Education Officer)

AGENDA

No.	Item
1.	Notes from meeting on 16 October 2014
2.	Morrison Comprehensive School – continued from 16 October In attendance will be: Graham Hanford – Chair of Governors Wayne Newton – Headteacher Find attached: Response from school to questions asked prior to meeting on 16 Oct

***Please note members should declare personal and prejudicial interests and party whipping in the usual manner

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Notes

In attendance:

Cllr Fiona Gordon (Convener)

Cllr Paul Meara

Cllr Anthony Colburn

Cllr Beverley Hopkins

Helen Morgan-Rees – Hub Head of Education Improvement

Wayne Newton – Headteacher Morriston Comprehensive School

Graham Hanford – Chair of Governors Morriston Comprehensive School

Michelle Roberts – Scrutiny Officer

1. Notes from discussion with Hub Head of Education Improvement

The Panel met with Helen Morgan-Rees in preparation for the meeting with Morriston Comprehensive. The following was discussed:

- schools accelerated improvement plan
- monitoring had been in place since 2012 and improvement was patchy. A review also took place in September 2014 including peer headteacher's.
- School in receipt of an extra £137,000 support from Schools Cymru Challenge. Monies made available by WAG to improve a number of Schools across Wales which have been identified as causing concern.
- School also receiving package of support tailored to the needs of the school.

2. Notes from discussion with Headteacher and Chair of Governors at Morriston Comprehensive School

The Headteacher Wayne Newton and Chair of Governors Graham Hanford attended the meeting and supplied the Panel with written answers to the questions asked by the Panel prior to the meeting by email. The meeting concentrated on working its way through these with Mr Newton and Mr Hanford (*see attached information from Morriston Comprehensive*).

The meeting got to point 3a and decided because of the complexity of the meeting and time required the panel would like to reconvene to finish the discussion at a date after half term. *This has now been arranged for 10 November at 4.30pm.*

3. Actions arising from the meeting

1. ✓ Arrange an extra meeting and invite Morriston Comprehensive School Head Teacher and Chair of Governors to attend to continue discussion
2. ✓ Contact LEA Governor for School and invite to attend – Cllr Robert Francis-Davies