



West Lothian Council
Education & Cultural Services

Meeting Note

Parent Council Representatives Meeting : 21 August 2008

A special meeting of representatives of West Lothian Council Parent Councils and parent associations was held on Thursday, 21 August 2008 at Deans Community High School from 7:00pm.

Pat Sweeney, Head of Education (Quality Assurance), welcomed 34 representatives from school parent bodies to the meeting and outlined reasons for the Scottish Government's consideration of amendments to National Qualifications and the current review of the 3-18 curriculum, referred to as 'Curriculum for Excellence'.

1. 'Curriculum for Excellence'. Sarah King, Teacher, St Kentigern's Academy presented a DVD created by the school in association with Peel Primary School and demonstrating the values and principles of the 3-18 curriculum. The DVD represented a teaching perspective of the revised framework outlining how the experiences and outcomes of future learning and teaching are expected to enable our children to become 'successful learners'; 'confident individuals'; 'responsible citizens'; and 'effective contributors', attributes known as 'the four capacities'.

Sarah proceeded to deliver a presentation explaining in depth the

2. National Consultation on Proposals for National Qualifications. Pat Sweeney presented a series of PowerPoint slides describing proposals put forward for consultation by Scottish Government (SG) for changes to the framework of National Qualifications. Pat then opened the meeting to questions from representatives.

3. Close of meeting. The meeting closed at 9.00pm.