

Teachers Working Longer Review – Meeting of the Amalgamated Steering and Sub-groups on 20 November 2017

Minutes

Attendees

DfE – Stephen Baker (Chair), Nic MacKenzie, Fiona Laundry, Jeff Rogerson, Kathryn Symms and Diana Wray.

Group members – Gillian Alcroft (NGA), Graham Baird (SFCA), Suzanne Beckley (NEU), Sandra Bennett (NEU), Ian Hartwright (NAHT), Patrick Moran (Welsh Gov), Andrew Morris (NEU), Simon Pannell (LGA), Dilwyn Roberts-Young (UCAC), Donna Saby (GDST), Zenny Saunders (Welsh Gov), Deborah Simpson (VOICE), Dave Wilkinson (NASUWT) and Jackie Wood (LGA)

Apologies

Duncan Baldwin (ASCL), Mandy Coalter (United Learning), Jon Coles (United Learning), Nick Kirby (NEU), John Murphie (THEISBA), Ian Knowles (DfE), Rachel Suff (CIPD).

Notes from meeting		Action By	Action Deadline
1. Welcome and introductions			
The Chair welcomed the group and advised that the meeting was specifically focused on the draft report.	Information		
2. Minutes of the Amalgamated Steering and Sub-groups meeting of 15 Nov – update and action points.			
The group agreed the minutes from the 27 September 2017 and confirmed that all action points are complete	Information		
Action to upload September 2017 minutes to the Gov.uk website.	Action	DfE	Next meeting
3. Discussion on draft final report			
The Chair thanked colleagues who contributed to the amendments on the draft report. The group agreed that for consistency reasons the report needs to be in line with Departmental standards using the style guide.	Information Action	DfE	Dec

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<p>It was agreed that paragraph 42 is removed and replaced after paragraph 43 with a clear plan, including examples, on how successful schools address Occupation Health (OH).</p> <p>A detailed discussion took place about ill health benefit provisions and it was agreed that this would not be part of the WLR group remit.</p> <p>It was agreed that pension flexibilities out of the WLR group remit, such as two tier pension contributions and phased retirement options, may need to be considered in the report (para 58).</p> <p>Further amendments need to be included in the final draft report.</p> <p>KS to take group's feedback into consideration and will circulate a further draft report for clearance in December.</p>	Action	DfE	Dec
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4. Next Steps			
<p>Actions to be completed as above</p> <p>DfE to provide the group with an electronic copy of the draft final report once amended.</p> <p>The group to clear the draft report or offer further amendments for consideration. Once the draft report has been finalised and agreed by colleagues, the final version will be submitted to Ministers.</p>	Action	DfE	Dec
	Action	All	Next Meeting
5. AOB			
n/a			
6. Date of Next Meeting			
Next meeting to be arranged for Janaury / February 2018.	Action	DfE	