



Annual Conference 2018

Working together for our children
Reviewing parental involvement: one year on
#npfscot18

“ Parental involvement is about supporting pupils and their learning. It is about parents and teachers working together in partnership to help children become more confident learners.

Scottish Schools (Parental Involvement) Act Guidance (2006)

WELCOME



I am delighted to welcome you to the National Parent Forum of Scotland 2018 Conference. We are pleased to be celebrating parental engagement and involvement in our schools.

Since 2009, the NPFS has represented parents and parent councils at a national level. Over the years we have developed and strengthened partnerships with all the major stakeholders in Scottish education, many of whom are contributing to the conference here today.

When parents are involved in their children's learning, it benefits children, families and schools: children do better. This was the main finding of our Review of Scottish Schools (Parental Involvement) Act 2006. This Review gave us an opportunity to take stock and look inwards at how our current legislation fits with today's educational, political, economic and demographic landscape. One year on since publishing, I have been encouraged with the level of support for its recommendations. We know that not every parent needs to be on the parent council, but every parent needs to feel engaged with their child's education and school.

This conference will be a day of parental involvement in action. It's an opportunity for us all to come together, share ideas and learn from each other. I would like to thank you all for your contribution: keynote speakers, workshop organisers, marketplace partners and delegates. Whether you're a parent, teacher or policymaker, I hope today will inspire and motivate you.

Thank you all for your support.

Joanna Murphy.

Joanna Murphy
Chair, National Parent Forum of Scotland

AGENDA

09:30	Registration and Refreshments
10:00	Welcome and Introduction from the Conference Chair <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Bruce Robertson <i>Education Policy Advisor and former Director of Education</i>
10:05	Performance by children from Castleview Primary School
10:15	A few words from NPFS Chair, Joanna Murphy
10:20	Introductions followed by a conversation with: <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ John Swinney <i>Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills.</i>■ Lindsey Watt <i>Winner of the 2017 Robert Owen Award.</i>■ Marinieves Alba <i>Community School Director, Children's Aid, New York City.</i>
11:45	Refreshments



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12:00	Workshops around the themes of the Parental Involvement Act <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Learning at Home <i>Save the Children Boardroom</i>■ Home / School Partnerships <i>Children's Aid, NYC Biosphere Green Skills Development Scotland Salisbury Suite</i>■ Parental Representation <i>Respect me Biosphere Blue Fathers Network Scotland Hutton</i>
13:00	Lunch With Drop in Sessions from Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework and SQA
14:00	Workshops around the themes of the Parental Involvement Act <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Learning at Home <i>Wee Famille Hutton</i>■ Home / School Partnerships <i>Parent Network Scotland Salisbury Suite Children's Aid, NYC Biosphere Green</i>■ Parental Representation <i>Enquire Biosphere Blue</i>
15:10	Closing Session <i>Ozone</i>
15:30	Conference Close

SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES



Bruce Robertson

Bruce Robertson was Director of Education, Culture and Sport in Highland Council from 1998-2007 and Director of Education Learning and Leisure in Aberdeenshire from 2007-2010. Prior to entering Local Authority leadership roles, he spent 17 years working in various schools in North East Scotland. Between 2010 – 2016, Bruce worked in an advisory capacity with The Scottish Government, the Association of Directors of Education in Scotland (ADES), and other national agencies. He recently spent a period as interim Chief Executive at Bòrd na Gàidhlig.

Bruce has extensive experience in education and children's services and has been closely associated with many of the key national policy developments for a number of years now. He recently chaired the national group which prepared the Statutory Guidance on Gaelic Education which, from February 2017, gave new responsibilities to NPFS.

He is former chairman of the Scottish Advisory Committee for the Duke of Edinburgh's Award and chairs a small charity, GAMSCOT, which supports education and skills development in The Gambia. He is a Trustee and Board member of Keep Scotland Beautiful, and has recently been appointed as an independent member of the University of the Highlands and Islands F.E. Regional Board.

Bruce is a past President of ADES, a Fellow of the SQA, and was awarded an OBE in 2006 for services to Education.



John Swinney MSP

Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills

John joined the SNP in 1979 at the age of 15 and has held a number of posts within the Party at local and national level. He has been the National Secretary, Vice Convener for Publicity and Deputy Leader before leading the party from 2000-2004.

John was elected as the Member of Parliament for North Tayside on 1st May 1997 in a seat that had once been the safest Conservative seat in Scotland.

On 6th May 1999 John was elected as the Member of the Scottish Parliament for North Tayside. In 2011 the boundary changes meant the creation of new constituencies and John Swinney was elected as MSP for Perthshire North. He was re-elected in 2016.

John is a member of the SNP Scottish Government and was the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Sustainable Growth from 2007-2014. In November 2014 John Swinney was appointed as Deputy First Minister of Scotland and Cabinet Secretary for Finance, Constitution and the Economy. After the Scottish Parliament election on 5th May 2016 John Swinney was re-appointed as the Deputy First Minister and is now the Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills.

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Marinieves Alba

Marinieves Alba is an educator, cultural worker, and writer. She currently holds dual roles for Children's Aid in New York City where she is a veteran Community School Director, and acts as Director of Arts for the agency's national partnerships and local arts initiatives. She co-edited and contributed to groundbreaking social justice anthology *Women Warriors of the Afro-Latina Diaspora* (Arte Publico Press/University of Texas, 2012), and co-authored a chapter on Children's Aid Society Community Schools Results in the global anthology, *Developing Community Schools, Community Learning Centers, Extended-service Schools and Multi-service Schools: International Exemplars for Practice, Policy and Research* (Springer International Publishing (Switzerland), 2016).

Marinieves is an advocate for holistic approaches to youth and community development, and incorporates restorative practices, mindfulness, and non-violent communication (NVC) into her work as a organizational leader and coach. She serves as an organizational consultant and coach-trainer through her company, Restoration ProjeX. Marinieves holds degrees from Wesleyan University and New York University-Wagner Graduate School of Public Service, and graduate certificates from Fordham University and the International Institute of Restorative Practices (IIRP).



Castleview Primary School

The Castleview Craigmillar Castle Tour Guides are our P7 pupils who deliver tours to schools across Scotland. They take on the role of the famous Preston family who inhabited the castle during the time of Mary Queen of Scots. The pupils of Castleview are delivering tours, flying the flag for Craigmillar and Scotland.



Lindsey Watt

Born in Edinburgh, Lindsey Watt has been teaching since 1979 and has recently retired from her post as the Headteacher of Castleview Primary School, Craigmillar, Edinburgh. She was previously Headteacher of Edinburgh's Abbeyhill and Sciennes Primary Schools.

She was appointed to the Castleview post in February 2005 after participating in Columba 1400's Headteacher Leadership Academy in December 2003. The HMIe Inspection of 2013 gave Castleview excellent evaluations, which rate the Castleview school experience as one of the best in Scotland.

In 2011, Lindsey was a member of the Cabinet Secretary for Education and Life Long Learning's Attainment Group and in 2013/14 she was seconded to the Department of Children and Families to support the raising of attainment across the city and to create a leadership programme for Headteachers. She returned to Craigmillar in May 2014 to resume her post at Castleview with the additional responsibility of seconded Headteacher Broad General Education at Castlebrae Community High School. Lindsey was recently awarded the 2017 Robert Owen Award by the Deputy First Minister for being an Inspirational Educator and has been invited to join the International Council of Education Advisers.

WORKSHOPS MORNING



CHILDREN'S AID (NEW YORK CITY) Circles of Hope: Parents & Caregivers as Partners in Education

This workshop will examine strategies for actively engaging parents and other caregivers in the educational life of their children. Focused on cultivating communication, connection, collaboration, and community, this workshop will explore opportunities for sustained family engagement. Participants will explore the mindset, resources, and community assets which support caregivers' active participation and leadership in schools. Together, the participants will identify the conditions needed to successfully integrate parents and caregivers into the fabric of school-community life. By entering into this dialogue from a place rooted in hope and possibility, we will design new pathways for family engagement which tackle every day challenges to this work.

Room: Biosphere Green



FATHERS NETWORK SCOTLAND

Fathers Network Scotland is working to create a more dad friendly Scotland. Many dads don't realise what a positive impact they can have on their children's well-being and development. Schools and nurseries have historically been the domain of women where men are still in the minority. This workshop highlights the benefits to families & schools of involving dads in education and ways in which schools can actively support dads to be part of their child's education www.fathersnetwork.org.uk/education

Room: Hutton



Save the Children

SAVE THE CHILDREN

A brief presentation and discussion about the home learning environment, and the opportunities for empowering parents to encourage learning at home and being confident in their role within their child's learning.

Room: Boardroom



RESPECT ME

respectme is Scotland's anti-bullying service. Our vision is of a respecting, just, equal and inclusive Scotland in which all children and young people can live free from bullying and harassment and are encouraged to reach their full potential. Our work is driven by a focus on children's rights.

This workshop will offer an overview of the practical skills necessary for parents and carers to support children who are bullied and those who bully others.

It will also consider the ways in which parents and carers can work alongside schools to influence policies and practices that underpin anti-bullying work.

Room: Biosphere Blue



SKILLS DEVELOPMENT SCOTLAND

This is an opportunity to hear from Skills Development Scotland (Scotland's national skills agency) about the support we provide for parents, young people and practitioners to help ensure that thoughts, conversations and decisions about learning and career choices are well informed and reflect the increasingly diverse range of options available to young people in and beyond school. The workshop will offer a particular insight into the support available in the parents' area of the award winning web service My World of Work and about the growing 'family' of Scottish apprenticeships.

Room: Salisbury Suite

LUNCHTIME SESSIONS

Find SCQF and SQA at the end of the exhibition hall offering 20 minute drop in sessions for parents.



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ENQUIRE

Advice and information about additional support for learning

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Enquire have been working for over 18 years providing advice and information to families and professionals about additional support for learning. In this workshop Cat will share some of the learning from that time about how families of children with additional support needs and school can work well together to ensure children get the support they need.

Room: Biosphere Blue



PARENT NETWORK SCOTLAND

PNS' work is based upon the same principle as oxygen masks on airplanes. In other words, PNS helps parents to get the 'oxygen' they need themselves first, so they can then: feel more confident (have a greater 'sense of agency') about themselves as people; be better prepared for, and supported in, their roles, gain positive experiences in helping each other and their children succeed; and, share their new skills and attitudes to uplift the next group of parents in their community. This workshop will look at the current practice PNS is delivering.

Room: Salisbury Suite



WEE FAMILLE

In this interactive workshop we will share how the 'Wee Famille' team developed an innovative project to raise the profile of languages and engage families in learning French with their children. You'll hear how families from Springside Primary School in North Ayrshire took part in the seven week project to learn French and find out about life in France. Come along and join us in some fun French activities for all the family. Vive la France!

Room: Hutton

EXHIBITORS



APPS CENTRAL LTD

www.appscentral.co.uk

Apps Central provides parental engagement apps and we aim to fundamentally change the way in which schools communicate with parents. Used by over 150 schools in Scotland alone, our apps allow you to quickly and easily improve your communication with your parent community. Our management system is refreshingly easy and we build in support for you and your team as standard. Come and see us to find out how we could help your school.



ADES

ASSOCIATION OF DIRECTORS OF EDUCATION IN SCOTLAND

www.adescot.org.uk/ServiceChildren



The ADES National Transitions Officer (NTO) for children and young people of Armed Forces families in Scottish schools works to enhance policy and practice which takes into account the unique features affecting the education of Forces children. NTO works with local authorities, their schools, Children's Services, the MoD and third sector partners (RCET) to support the aims of ensuring the equity of educational provision and continuous improvements in the learning experiences and outcomes for Forces children. Military lifestyle can have a significant impact on the education of Forces children. Educators and parents must work together to offer support when needed.



BBC SCOTLAND LEARNING

www.bbc.com/education/beta

BBC Scotland Learning provides educational content for use in class and at home. Bitesize provides revision guides, videos and quizzes for National 4, National 5 and Higher qualifications and video for all Curriculum for Excellence Levels. We are currently working on videos to support primary learning in literacy, numeracy and science, in English and Gaelic medium.

Schools Radio makes programmes and podcasts featuring stories, interviews and discussion, aimed at primary-aged listeners. Authors Live features live events and readings with top children's writers. BBC L.A.B. runs workshops to help classes learn media and storytelling skills while creating their own digital content.



CHILD POVERTY ACTION GROUP

www.cpag.org.uk/scotland

Child Poverty Action Group in Scotland work to get a better life for low-income families in Scotland through campaigning and lobbying, and ensure they get the correct information through our welfare rights work, training, information and advice line for advisers.

EXHIBITORS



CALL SCOTLAND
www.callscotland.org.uk

CALL Scotland supports pupils with additional support needs who need technology to help them communicate and to access the curriculum. Pupils who can benefit from our work include those with autism, cerebral palsy, dyslexia and many other disabilities. CALL works with individual pupils and staff in schools in over half of Scotland's local authorities and can provide information and advice for parents, teachers, therapists and other professionals. We provide training courses and free webinars on a wide range of topics relating to technology and education.

Current areas of interest include:

- The Books for All Scotland database
- Digital Exams and Assessments



CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE IMPROVEMENT COLLABORATIVE
http://bit.ly/children_young_people_improvement_collaborative

The aim of the Scottish Government CYPIC programme is to make early years, health, family services and schools more effective and responsive in tackling inequality and improving children's outcomes. We do this by supporting local authorities, health boards and the third sector to use Quality Improvement (QI) in their services for children, young people and families.

QI is a way to test, measure, evaluate and implement new and more effective ways of working with the resources that teams have available.

CYPIC was formed in 2016 when the Early Years Collaborative (EYC) and Raising Attainment for All (RAFA) programmes combined.



CONNECT (formerly Scottish Parent Teacher Council)
SUPPORTING PARTNERSHIPS IN EDUCATION
www.connect.scot

Connect is the only Scottish charity dedicated to supporting parental engagement in children's learning, for the benefit of all children and young people.

Our website has advice, information and resources for parents and parent groups. Connect is also a membership organisation for parent groups such as Parent Councils and PTAs, with membership options for groups and individuals.

We work across Scotland:

- connecting family, school and community through our Partnership Schools Scotland programme, supported by SDS, piloting a new approach to engagement
- connecting with teachers, providing professional learning support and advice
- connecting with Government, Parliament and education services to share our expertise and parents' perspectives



CYRENIANS
<http://scottishconflictresolution.org.uk>

Part of Cyrenians, the Scottish Centre for Conflict Resolution (SCCR) is a national resource promoting and supporting best practice in family conflict resolution, mediation and early intervention. Family relationship breakdown is one of the biggest causes of youth homelessness. Therefore, the focus of the centre is on young people and their families experiencing conflict which is affecting both their relationships and their lives. The SCCR is delivering a range of free events and resources, including a series of local seminars, national conferences across Scotland, free training sessions, and online resources for practitioners, young people and families.

EXHIBITORS



DYSLEXIA SCOTLAND

www.dyslexiascotland.org.uk

Dyslexia Scotland is a national organisation working across Scotland to raise awareness and understanding of dyslexia. We provide training for schools and workplaces and our network of volunteer-led branches across Scotland offer meetings open to the public. We run an annual Education Conference, Dyslexia Awareness Week and a free online Toolkit for teachers www.addressingdyslexia.org.uk. We run a Helpline Monday to Friday 10am–4pm, 0344 800 8484 or helpline@dyslexiascotland.org.uk

Dyslexia Scotland recently launched a website for children with dyslexia aged 8–18 which you can see at www.unwrapped.dyslexiascotland.org.uk



EDUCATION SCOTLAND

<https://education.gov.scot>

Education Scotland is a Scottish Government executive agency which supports the quality and improvement in Scottish education to secure the delivery of better learning experiences and outcomes for Scottish learners of all ages.



ENQUIRE

<http://enquire.org.uk>

With the right support all children can get the most from school. Enquire is the Scottish advice service for additional support for learning. Our mission is to:

- raise awareness of children's rights to extra support in school
- help families and schools work together to ensure children get the support they need
- provide advice to children and young people who might be struggling in school.

We do this by:

- providing easy to understand advice and information about additional support for learning legislation and guidance for families and professionals
- helping families find local education and support services
- sharing practical tips to help families and schools work together and solve problems should they arise.
- offering information and advice for children and young people on our Reach website www.reach.scot

We offer lots of ways to access our help including a telephone helpline, guides, factsheets and outreach work. All the information and advice we provide is independent and impartial.

EXHIBITORS



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We also support children and family services to be dad friendly and have a directory of services which dads and mums can access. From working with dads in prisons to supporting dads at work please access our resources to enable mums and dads to work and care for their families.



GENERAL TEACHING COUNCIL

www.gtcs.org.uk

GTCS is the independent professional body which promotes and regulates the teaching profession. GTCS carries out a wider range of statutory functions and initiatives including:

- maintaining the register of teachers in Scotland,
- setting the Professional Standards expected of teachers
- accrediting Initial Teacher Education programmes at Scottish universities
- providing public protection and assuring the high quality of the teaching profession through robust and fair regulation processes
- managing the scheme of Professional Update which confirms that teachers have engaged in ongoing professional learning.



RESPECTME

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ROAD SAFETY SCOTLAND

www.roadsafetyscotland.org.uk

Road Safety Scotland (RSS) is part of the Scottish Government's transport agency, Transport Scotland with a remit to develop free road safety learning resources. The resources provide opportunities for rich learning experiences for children and young people, from Early to Senior Phase, supporting teachers to achieve the experiences and outcomes of Curriculum for Excellence. Many of the resources have also been developed to support road safety learning in the wider community, including parents and carers, and childminders.

EXHIBITORS



The Salvesen
Mindroom
Centre
no mind left behind

THE SALVESEN MINDROOM CENTRE

www.mindroom.org

The Salvesen Mindroom Centre is a small independent Scottish Charity with a big vision – a world where 'no mind is left behind' and every person with a learning difficulty receives the recognition and the support they need to achieve their potential.

We work to achieve this vision by:

- providing direct help and support for the families of children and young people with learning difficulties
- collaborating with organisations across the public, private and third sectors
- seeking to influence policy and practice at local and national level
- building awareness of learning difficulties
- offering training, and
- building a programme of research



SCILT Scotland's
National Centre
for Languages

SCOTLAND'S NATIONAL CENTRE FOR LANGUAGES (SCILT)

www.scilt.org.uk

CONFUCIUS INSTITUTE FOR SCOTLAND'S SCHOOLS

www.confuciusinstitute.ac.uk

SCILT, based at Strathclyde University, promotes and supports the realisation of high quality language learning in schools and wider society. We play our part in ensuring that all languages and cultures are valued and that life-long language learning is recognised as a key skill for life and work to create the conditions in which language learning is seen as the norm.

The award winning Confucius Institute for Scotland's Schools (CISS), works in partnership with SCILT, Scottish Government and the Chinese Institute Headquarters in China (Hanban) to promote Chinese language and culture in primary and secondary schools across Scotland.



SCOTTISH BOOK TRUST

www.scottishbooktrust.com

Scottish Book Trust is a national charity that believes books, reading and writing have the power to change lives.

We give free books to every child in Scotland to ensure families of all backgrounds can share the joy of books at home. We work with teachers to inspire children to develop a lifelong love of reading with innovative classroom resources and national book awards. We support the country's dynamic writing talent, and fund all sorts of author events with the public.

To support parents, we have lots of information online about reading, writing and learning together at home, plus book recommendations on all kinds of topics, competitions, events and much more for you and for children of all ages.



THE SCOTTISH CREDIT AND QUALIFICATIONS FRAMEWORK

www.scqf.org.uk

The Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework Partnership promotes lifelong learning in Scotland. The Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework (SCQF) is Scotland's national qualifications framework and is a way of comparing Scottish qualifications. It covers the qualifications achieved at school, college and university, and many qualifications you may go on to achieve at work. It does this by giving each qualification a level and credit points.

The SCQF supports lifelong learning and can:

- help people understand different qualifications;
- help people plan their learning pathways to reach their full potential;
- promote equality of all qualifications and learning programmes;
- recognise other areas of learning that can help personal development and goals for the future

EXHIBITORS



SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT

<https://pbscotland.scot/>



The Scottish Government's Community Choices programme supports participatory budgeting (PB) as an approach that directly involves local people in making decisions over how public money is spent in their community. It involves discussing and voting on spending priorities that has a direct impact on improving their lives. It is as an innovative and effective mechanism to engage with parents and pupils that goes beyond other forms of engagement such as consultations, newsletters, information evenings and social media. PB is well known across Scotland. In 2017/18, over 39,000 people voted at 122 events for 1,352 projects which included primary and secondary schools and a number of thematic youth projects. PB is used worldwide and is recognised as good practice by academics, policy makers, communities and international institutions including the World Bank and the United Nations.



SQA

www.sqa.org.uk

Based in Scotland, the Scottish Qualifications Authority (SQA) works across the UK and internationally. Our people take great pride in offering exceptional customer service — which is acknowledged by government organisations, universities, businesses and individuals throughout the world. SQA is sponsored by the Scottish Government's Learning Directorate and employs over 700 people in Glasgow, Dalkeith and Newtongrange.

You may be most familiar with SQA through experience of either your own or your child's National and Higher National Qualifications studied in school or college.

As an awarding body, we also offer a range of services for businesses and training providers, ranging from course and centre approval through to customised awards, endorsement, credit rating and licensing services.



SKILLS DEVELOPMENT SCOTLAND

www.myworldofwork.co.uk

Skills Development Scotland is the national skills body supporting the people of Scotland to develop and apply their skills.

More than 1,200 colleagues work in schools and careers centres across the country. We strive to ensure every individual has the skills and confidence to achieve their full potential - through apprenticeships, further education, training or employment. We provide careers information, advice and guidance, and work-based programmes to help young people thrive in a changing economy. We offer greater support earlier to help pupils find sustainable and rewarding careers.

Find out more about us and our support for parents at our award-winning web service.



TIME FOR INCLUSIVE EDUCATION (TIE)

www.tiecampaign.co.uk

Time for Inclusive Education (TIE) is the campaign for LGBT-inclusive education in Scottish schools. Since its launch in June 2015, TIE has raised awareness of the issues facing LGBT young people and the disproportionately high levels of homophobic, biophobic and transphobic bullying in schools. In 2017, TIE received majority support from the Scottish Parliament - now the first in the world to back the teaching of LGBT issues in state education - and is currently working with the Scottish Government to implement their proposals.

DELEGATES

Ian Aitchison Scottish Borders Representative, NPFS	Stephen Blair Chair St Aidan's High School Parent Council	Antonia Clark Attainment Team Scottish Book Trust	Sue Davidson Parent, Bankhead Primary School Parent Council	Derek Farrell Senior Producer BBC Scotland Learning	Julie Given
Marinievas Alba Community School Director Children's Aid NYC	Alison Bowyer NPFS	Laura Cleary Policy and Business Support Officer, Public Service Reform and Public Bodies Unit Scottish Government	Josie Davies	Beverley Ferguson Education Officer Education Scotland	Kathleen Glazik Policy Manager Scottish Government
Martin Allan Parent	Rebecca Boyde Youth Engagement Officer DigIt!	Sharon Collie Parent Council Chair Stonelaw High School	Dee Davison Co-Chair, Dunbar Grammar School Parent Council	Craig Flunkert Learning Directorate Scottish Government	Sheena Gordon Dyslexia Scotland South East, Dyslexia Scotland
Michael Andrew Parent	Margaret Brownell Parents as Partners South Lanarkshire Council	Victoria Cormack Dyslexia Scotland South East, Dyslexia Scotland	Des Dickson Operations Manager, Education Resources South Lanarkshire Council	Eddie Foley BSL Interpreter	Emma Grace Parent Council Barassie Primary School
Lisa Armstrong Trainer Respectme	Ingrid Bruce PGDE Primary Student	Derek Cornwall Chair, Bathgate Academy	Claire Docherty Teacher St Louise Primary School	Jessica Forbes Geography Teacher Broughton High School	Jon Greenhowe Vice Chair, Highland Parent Council Partnership
Jilly Banks Student University of Edinburgh	Lynn Bruce Fernielea Parent Council	Mel Coulter Electronic Note-taker	Jackie Donati Electronic Note-taker	Vassiliki Fotaki Parent	Norman Greenshields Quality Improvement Officer, Inverclyde Education Services
Liz Blair Chair, Parent Council Trinity Academy	Cheryl Burnett South Lanarkshire Representative, NPFS	Sheona Craig Representative NPFS Clackmannanshire	Rebecca Doyle Wayfinder for the Scottish Learning Group Dig It! 2017	Mary Fox Clackmannanshire Educational/Psychology Services	Jane Halliday Programmes Manager Save the Children
Rachel Blair Member Stonelaw Parent Council	Christine Carlin Chief Executive The Salvesen Mindroom Centre	Margaret Daly Chairperson, Caldervale High School Parent Council	Ken Edwards Education Programme Lead, Skills Development Scotland	Laura Gavigan	Clair Halliday Coordinator, NPFS
Mairi Blair Road Safety Scotland	Diane Cherry Improving Outcomes Engagement Officer Clackmannanshire Education Service	Jordan Daly Time for Inclusive Education	Mike Empson CEO, Apps Central	Susan Gibb Liaison Manager, SQA	Megan Hare Chair, Banchory Academy Parent Council
				Louise Gibb Fernielea Parent Council	Charlotte Harrison Representative NPFS Orkney
				Jenifer Gibson Clackmannanshire Educational/Psychology Services	

DELEGATES

Jennifer Harwood
Attainment Team
Scottish Book Trust

Lynn Haughton
Parent, Blackfriars Primary
School Parent Council

Carrol Herbertson
Fife Representative, NPFS

Fiona Hopkins
Senior Manager (Schools)
Education and Youth
Employment, North
Ayrshire Council

Sharon Hurley
Parent and Member
Loretto Parent Partnership
(Loretto RC Primary School
Parent Council)

Sarah Hussain
Digital, Media and
Communications Officer
Cyrenians Scottish Centre
for Conflict Resolution

Claire Jacobson
Parent
Kirkwall Grammar School

Mandy Johnston
Early Years Practitioner

Hilary Kirby
Parent

Beata Kohlbeek
Parent

Jacqueline Lafferty
Parent and Chair

Connie Le maitre
Chair
Greenwood Academy
Parent Council

Margaret Leitch
Falkirk Representative
NPFS

Elaine Macdonald
Parent, Auldhouse Primary
School Parent Council

Gordon Macdonald
Representative
NPFS East Dunbartonshire

Joan Mackenzie
Information and Admin
Assistant, NPFS

Carolyn MacLeod
National Transitions Officer,
ADES National Transitions
Officer for Service

Nicki Macleod
Chair, Duncan Forbes
Primary School

Linsey Macrae
Vice Chair, Duncan Forbes
Primary School

Laura Mason
Chief Education Officer
West Dunbartonshire
Council

Jess McBeath
Online Safety Consultant
SWGfI

Mel McGill
Dumfries and Galloway
Parent/Carer Forum

Susan McGregor
Senior Community
Learning & Development
Worker
Aberdeenshire Council

Robyn McIlroy
Education Officer
Community Services:
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Emma McIntosh
Cleveden Secondary School

Jenna McKay
Fernielea Parent Council

Catherine McKechnie
Learning Directorate
Scottish Government

Alison McKerrow
Chair, Castleview Primary
School Parent Council

Joe McLachlan
East Renfrewshire
Representative, NPFS

Emma McLean
SCILT / CISS

Jon Mcleish
Parent Council
St John Paul 2nd and
Cardinal Newman

Kevin McShane
Development Officer
SCQF

Oscar Mesalles-Naranjo
Parent

Barbara Middleton

Denise Millan
Qualifications Coordinator
People

Sandra Mitchell
Mediation Manager
Resolve: ASL

Amanda Mitchell
Chair Person
Noble Primary School
Parent Council

Lorna Mitchell
Facilitator/Trainer
Parent Network Scotland

Vanessa Morris
Principal Officer, Education
Support Services Dumfries
and Galloway Council

Ken Muir
Chief Executive and
Registrar
The General Teaching
Council for Scotland

Francesca Munnich
Policy Officer
Save the Children

Joanna Murphy
Chair, NPFS

Denis Murphy
Parent

Claire Murphy
Parent and Depute Head of
Centre

Joanna Murray
Business Manager, Public
Service Reform and Public
Bodies Unit
Scottish Government

Sian Neil
Senior Education Officer
Education Scotland

Debbie Newlands
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