



Governor Visit Record

Date	15 th February 2024	Governors	Cathryn Hill
Links with School Development Plan 2023-24			
Specific targets within the whole school development plan for 14-19 provision.			
Scope of visit / Breadth of visit Scrutiny			
To meet with Charlotte Calcutt to visit the Appleby Centre and discuss the provision for 14-19. Discussions were held around the 14-19 provision and how the new Appleby Centre is being used. A discussion was held around the long-term plans and how the Appleby Centre and main school can work in collaboration.			
Governor Observations and Comments			
Throughout the visit and discussion, I was presented with a range of documents and a discussion was held around how the Appleby Centre has developed and the needs of the young people within the Appleby Centre. The Appleby Centre accommodates extended and core young people. Young people with physical needs receive physiotherapy at the centre with the physiotherapy assistant. I was presented with the curriculum map and timetable for the Appleby Centre and 14-19 provision. It was explained how staff and young people can work between the two centres to ensure that specialist staff can teach specialist subjects. The curriculum for allows young people to follow either core or extended and GCSEs in English, Maths and Science are currently offered alongside functional skills, entry levels and BTECs. Charlotte is aware that Newcastle College is requiring 4 GCSEs as entry requirements so is looking at introducing GCSE PE as an option. Charlotte explained how the timetable is set out for the week and discussed the range of external providers who are delivering sessions such as Northeast Youth Project. Charlotte also explained how Independent Travel Training was recommencing in collaboration with Northumberland County Council. Charlotte also explained how the afternoon sessions allow subjects such as preparation for adulthood, D of E, and the Equals programme to be delivered. Charlotte presented the Equals programme and discussed how the sessions are split and presented the plans for 23/24, 24/25 and 25/26.			

Charlotte explained that due to her attending panel meetings she has regular contact with the main school and a member of the SLT is scheduled to work in the Appleby Centre every day.

Although the Appleby Centre currently facilitates year 9 to 13, most year 9 young people are in the main school. A discussion was held around how moving forward the Phase 5 will be split between the main school site and the Appleby centre and how young people will be allocated either the main school site or the Appleby Centre.

The visit was highly informative, and Charlotte could explain in great details the current and future plans for 14-19.

I would like to thank Charlotte for the visit.

Plans for Follow-up Visit

N/A

Date reviewed at FGB 12th March 2024