



# TyneCoastCollege

## Meeting of the Emergency Planning Committee

**Venue:** Held via Microsoft Teams

**Date:** 20 August 2020

**Time:** 4.05pm – 4.50pm

**Present:** Andrew Watts (Chair)  
David Byrne (part)  
George Clark  
Colin Seccombe (part)  
Lindsey Whiterod

**Apologies:** Andy Walton  
Graeme Cruickshank

**In Attendance:** Gary Holmes  
Martin Hottass  
Donya Urwin  
Neil Longstaff (Director of Governance)  
Jane Cuthbertson (Chief Finance Officer)

ITEM	ISSUES	ACTION
1.	<b>Apologies for Absence</b>  The Committee approved apologies for absence received from those identified above after having first considered the reasons for their absence.	
2.	<b>Declarations of Interest</b>  The Chair reminded members to declare any conflicts of interest as they arose on the agenda. There were standing declarations for links to Academies for the following: AW, GC, GH and LWh.	
3.	<b>Management accounts and commentary</b>  Confidential item	
4.	<b>Financial Strategy</b>  Confidential item	
5.	<b>Any other business</b>  <u>5.1 GCSE Exam Results Summary</u>  A paper detailing the GCSE results 2020 and GCSE Aim Grade Summary was presented for consideration.  Governors were informed that there had been concern yesterday when the Government decided to change the method of grading. However, the English and maths resits were	

	<p>much higher and results were reported as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Higher graded English (TyneMet) 47%</li> <li>• Higher graded Maths (TyneMet) 38</li> <li>• Higher graded English (STC) 60%</li> <li>• Higher graded Maths (STC) 46%</li> </ul> <p>It was stressed that it was unclear as to how Ofsted would use these results in future inspections/reviews. A further challenge for the College was around BTECs as it offered a wide range of courses, which were not allowed to be reported. It was accepted that it was right for Pearson's to attempt to secure an uplift in grades, similar to GCSEs, but it did mean that students were left waiting.</p> <p>The Chair highlighted the impact the disruption had on students moving into the second year of their course and asked how they could be supported in their studies. The CEO indicated that they would be captured in the planning for September.</p> <p>It was noted that the Government was likely to accept a 50/50 (online/on site) split in terms of delivery but the College was working on the basis of a 100% delivery to give maximum flexibility.</p> <p>The CEO provided an overview of the GCSE results across Tyne Coast Academy Trust, which were described as being strong.</p> <p>Q. Capital bid for heating at Monkwearmouth Academy? This had been approved but not yet received.</p> <p><u>5.2 Revised Queen Alexandra A level Results 2020</u></p> <p>Governors received a paper detailing the A and AS Level results for 2020 achieved at Queen Alex Sixth Form.</p> <p>The CEO reported that the Government had reverted back to centre assessed grades and the outcomes were good. Work was now ongoing to support students to achieve their chosen route. Students and their parents had been very positive about the support they had received.</p> <p><u>5.3 Capital Allocation</u></p> <p>The CEO informed governors that the College had received a capital allocation of £833k, which had been awarded based on student numbers instead of the condition of the estate. Governors felt that this was disappointing as those colleges with newer buildings could receive a larger sum.</p> <p><i>CS joined the meeting</i></p>	
<p><b>6.</b></p>	<p><b>Identification of Confidential Items</b></p> <p><b>Resolved: That the following items are to remain confidential:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Item 3 - Management accounts and commentary</b></li> <li>• <b>Item 4 - Financial Strategy</b></li> </ul>	

**Signed:** ..... **Date:** .....