



**Gleniffer High School
Parent Council**

Subject: Parent Council Meeting

Date: 9th June 2025 at 7.00pm

Minutes taken by: Susan Gray

Venue: Gleniffer High School
Present:

Date Issued: 22nd September 2025

PRESENT		APOLOGIES	
Julie Connell (JC)	Chairperson	Lisa Watt (LW)	Parent Member
Susan Gray (SG)	Secretary	Jenni Harrison (JH)	Parent Member
Vicky Colquhoun (VC)	PTA Representative		
Nicola West (NW)	Parent Member		
Tracey Hawes (TH)	Parent Member		
Emma Moore (EM)	Parent Member		
Suzanne Baxter (SB)	Parent Member		
Lyndsay McLaughlin (LM)	Parent Member		
Julie McCulloch (JM)	Parent Member		
Archie Speirs (AS)	Parent Member		
Katrina Gelston (KG)	Parent Member		
Lisa Chalmers (HT)	Head Teacher		
		ABSENT	
		Danielle Toogood (DT)	Parent Member
		Stuart Galbraith (StG)	Parent Member

1 Welcome & Apologies

JC opened the meeting and welcomed the attendees. SG advised of apologies received.

2. Minutes

The Minutes of the last PC Meeting held 28th April 2025 were approved.

3. Head Teacher's report

Staffing

LC advised that interviews are ongoing and considerable at this point in time. GHS had bid for 3 NQTs and only secured one which has added to the recruitment process.

So far, Dr Finnigan has been appointed as permanent PT English; Miss Abercrombie RMPS 0.2 temp; Mrs Goodfellow Technical 0.8 Temp; Mrs O'Neill Physics Permanent. Over the next three weeks LC will be interviewing for the following: Temp Chemistry, Temp History, Temp Geography 0.8, Temp Biology 0.6, Temp Art 0.2, Temp Maths 0.8. In addition, LC is hoping to appoint new ASNA support however these interviews may need to take place during the holidays.

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Mrs Dutta is leaving at the end of August to embark on teacher training as is Miss MacDonald. We wish them both well.

Recent events

SQA Exam Diet:

The exam diet ran smoothly. The additional assessment arrangements being taken by young people throughout have been tracked. In particular, LC advised that additional time was largely not used and the plan is to discuss this further with young people and families before the first assessment block next session.

Health Week:

S1-3 pupils enjoyed a range of activities throughout the week including mini-olympics, bake off and activities day. The schedule will be reviewed for next year as the in-service and long-weekend are at different times which has a knock on effect on the planning for Health Week. Election day also falls on an in-service day.

Timetable change:

This has gone very smoothly, thanks to Mr Gould's preparation and tireless working to meet pupil options as far as possible.

BGE Sports Day:

After weeks of glorious sunshine, this was a washout quite literally. The weather forecast is being monitored and what can be managed in terms of staff cover to hold the finals before we stop is being reviewed. Several residential trips are running so this might go down to the wire.

School Improvement Planning and Pupil Equity Funding

LC shared a presentation with the Parent Council covering School Improvement priorities for Session 25-26. PEF funding is due to end in March 2026. A copy is provided with these Minutes

Miscellaneous

LC is looking at TeachMate software as a teaching tool and Parentsportal will be used to issue pupils' progress reports so all parents should ensure they are duly registered and have access.

In terms of engagement with the parent forum, there will be put out on the School's socials short reels explaining the work and role of both the Parent Council and the separate PTA.

Scheduled meeting dates for next session

1st September (AGM) (*Cancelled since date of last meeting*)

6th October

3rd November

8th December

12th January

9th February

9th March

27th April

1st June

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4. AOCB

None arising.

5. Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as Monday 1st September 2025 (AGM) before the meeting was closed.

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