

SCOTTISH EDUCATION COUNCIL

UPDATE FROM THE STRATEGIC BOARD FOR TEACHER EDUCATION

Discussion at meeting on 31 May 2018

Self-Evaluation Framework for ITE

1. The Framework is being developed by Education Scotland, GTCS and the SCDofE and will support universities to evaluate the student teacher experience in a number of areas including curriculum, legislation, academic and pastoral and support. It will also help support partnership working between universities, local authorities and schools and improve collective responsibility and leadership. A draft Framework will be ready this academic year initially focusing on numeracy. A national conference to share practice is planned once the Framework starts to produce evidence.

Report from the Short-Life Working Group on Professional Learning

2. The Group had commissioned a scoping study report which took in the views of around 600 teachers at all grades. The scoping study findings focused on teachers wanting more collaborative learning, looking to own their learning, wishing to engage more with PL and not wanting a top down model of learning.
3. The Working Group's report made 16 recommendations and also contained a new "National Model of Professional Learning". A communications strategy to inform teachers of this is being developed.
4. The Board agreed that the model and recommendations will help refresh teacher professionalism, will clarify responsibilities while supporting the agenda around school empowerment. Members agreed to work collectively to make this happen.

Future Development of MyPL Platform

5. MyPL is an on-line platform designed to support and enhance the professional learning of teachers and is managed by the General Teaching Council for Scotland (GTCS). Currently 400 teachers are taking part in the first phase and the second phase will include a further 100 teachers. There are plans to migrate teachers' accounts from the Professional Update platform into MyPL on a phased basis as it offers additional functionality and therefore, opens up access to MyPL to all teachers. Board content for Scottish Government to continue to support development and roll-out and that GTCS lead this project.

FOR INFO

Agenda for Next Meeting

6. This will likely include; Headteacher Recruitment Working Group Report; Diversity Working Group Report; Student Placement Management System and Measuring Quality in ITE Research project.

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