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From: Brown, Alan
Sent: 14 November 2005 16:04
To: 'Lika.Nehaul@nphs.wales.nhs.uk'; 'Roland.Salmon@nphs.wales.nhs.uk'
Cc: Hopkins, Bleddyn; Edwards, Ceri; Godfrey, Maria
Subject: FW: Deri Primary School

Lika, Roland,

Thanks for coming back with your comments. We did consider trying to meet the governing body before Wed AGM but this is too short notice so the Cabinet member is going to be at the AGM and if need be will offer a meeting with the governors or specific parents in some organised way at a time to be agreed. The Cabinet members view is that the request is not general but limited to one particular individual and hopefully we can address and reassure in this way.
 Alan

From: Lika Nehaul[SMTP:lika.nehaul@nphs.wales.nhs.uk]
Sent: 14 November 2005 09:15
To: Brown, Alan
Subject: FW: Deri Primary School

Alan,

Please see the e mail below from Roland. Could you let me know some time today what the Director of Education's and Cabinet Member's views are.

Thanks.

Lika

From: Roland.Salmon@nphs.wales.nhs.uk [<mailto:Roland.Salmon@nphs.wales.nhs.uk>]
Sent: 11 November 2005 1:13 PM
To: Chris Lines
Cc: Gwen Lowe; Lika Nehaul; Marion Lyons; Tony Howard
Subject: RE: Deri Primary School

Dear all,

I have a view on this as a one time (7 years in total) chair of a primary school governing body.

I believe that we could usefully offer to meet the governing body, at an ad hoc meeting, to explain the decisions that we have taken and the differences between Glenboi and Abercynon and Deri. At that meeting we can explore the usefulness of holding a wider meeting with parents and what format that meeting might take. The AGM between the governing body and the parents, that is required under the 1988 Education Act, exists for quite other purposes and does not strike me as an appropriate vehicle for the kind of discussion that may be necessary.

Best wishes,

Roland

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CC

RE: Deri Primary School

Subject

I'm available to talk between now and 4pm when I have a meeting at the Temple.

The reasoning behind the decision is clear but may not be that clear to parents seeking every precaution.

Attending the meeting may help explain our reasoning. It would also demonstrate a willingness to help and communicate in a school where they may be a belief that we are not very competent (this is where the allegation is made that the helpline was dead when a parent tried it).

On the other hand, it is quite possible that a crowd is being whipped up and the environment may not be conducive to good two-way communication.

Chris

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-----Original Message-----

From: Gwen Lowe
 Sent: 11 November 2005 11:48
 To: Marion Lyons; Chris Lines; Tony Howard
 Cc: Lika Nehaul; Roland Salmon
 Subject: FW: Deri Primary School

You need to be aware of this, Lika and I discussed this this morning, can we discuss?
 Gwen

-----Original Message-----

From: Brown, Alan [<mailto:BROWNAG@CAERPHILLY.GOV.UK>]
 Sent: 11 November 2005 10:03 AM
 To: Lika Nehaul; Gwen Lowe; Roland Salmon
 Cc: Edwards, Ceri; Delahaye, Steve
 Subject: FW: Deri Primary School

Can you please be aware of this request to address this meeting at Deri school next Wed pm. I am still awaiting a response from our Director of Education.

Alan Brown

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 > From: Edwards, Ceri
 > Sent: 11 November 2005 09:43
 > To: Brown, Alan
 > Cc: Delahaye, Steve
 > Subject: RE: Deri Primary School
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 > I've spoken with Cllr Roberts again this morning. He is insisting that
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 > someone attends the meeting.
 > He is likely to phone you today for a decision.
 > It's likely to get worse later today when the latest Abercynon news
 > hits the press. Parents will be even more concerned about possible
 > asymptomatic cases.

> Ceri
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 > From: Brown, Alan
 > Sent: 10 November 2005 17:34
 > To: Hopkins, David
 > Cc: Davies, Malgwyn; Mathews, Rosemary; Edwards, Ceri; Delahaye,
 Steve;
 > Hopkins, Bleddyn
 > Subject: FW: Deri Primary School
 > Importance: High
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> David,
 > I would welcome your comments. This relates to one of the parents who
 > has kept her child off school even though they have not been ill and
 > wants us to screen them together with all the other children at Deri.
 > My officer has given her an explanation why we would not do this and
 > also Dr Gwen Lowe the Chair of the Outbreak Control Team has spoken to

> her. I spoke to her today but she is still dissatisfied. She now
 > clearly is putting pressure on the governors.
 > The circumstances at Deri although sensitive are not like those at
 > Glenboi or Abercynon and following the advice of the Outbreak Team
 > there is no reason to test these children. Also if it was agreed this
 > would precipitate calls for every child in the South Wales valleys to
 > be tested without reason.
 > I am sure the precautionary measures put in place are going to be
 > followed at Deri as strictly if not more so than anywhere else. We
 > have not had anything happening there to investigate for a
 considerable period of time.

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 > I am not sure how you normally deal with these AGMs. If you consider
 > it appropriate I could ask the Consultant to attend but I can not see
 > how the advice and decision on this will change.
 > Alan
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 > From: Edwards, Ceri
 > Sent: 10 November 2005 16:31
 > To: Brown, Alan
 > Cc: Delahaye, Steve
 > Subject: Deri Primary School
 > Importance: High
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> Alan,
 > I have taken a call from Cllr. Clive Roberts - Chair of Governors at
 > Deri School.
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> He referred to a telephone conversation you had with one of the
 > parents - who is demanding that we blanket screen all children from
 the school.
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> I explained the protocols for dealing with these situations - however,
 > he is not happy to relay this information, to the Board of Governors.
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 > There is an AGM of the Deri Parent / Governors next Wednesday the 16th
 > at 3.30pm, Cllr Roberts is insisting that one of us attends that
 meeting.
 > I suggested that if anyone attends, it would possibly be more
 > appropriate for one of the CCDCs or an Epidemiologist to attend and
 > provide expert assurances and to defend this course of action.
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 > Ceri
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