

**(Draft) Minutes of the Taskforce on Traveller Education
Adelaide House, Belfast, Wednesday 1st June 2011**

1) In Attendance:

1.1	Robbie McVeigh	(Chairperson)
	Una Magee	(Barnardo's)
	Dorothy Angus	(DE)
	Jim Mulkerrins	(DES)
	Shirley Gillespie	(Early Years)
	Pamela Larmour	(CCEA)
	Clare Mangan	(ESAIT)
	Malachy Crudden	(CCMS)
	Marie Louise McAllister	(An Munia Tober)
	Margaret Donaghy	(An Munia Tober Board)
	Briege Rainey	(DEL)
	Ken Fraser	(OFMdFM)
	Gerry Macdonald	(An Tearmann)
	Geraldine Donnelly	(An Tearmann)
	Kieran Shields	(SELB)
	Fidelma McCoy	(Armagh Travellers Support Group)
	Samantha Cummings	(BELONG)
	Gerry Devlin	(GTCNI)
	Deirdre McAliskey	(NIHRC)
	Bob Collins	(ECNI)
	Jacque Reid	(NITC)
	Jim Begley	(Youth Justice Agency)
	Caroline Evans	(DE)
	John McGoran	(DE Secretariat)
	Victoria Goodfellow	(DE – Secretary)
	Debby Nelson	(DE Secretariat)

2) Apologies:

2.1	Catherine Joyce	(Chairperson)
	Paula Madden	(Irish Traveller Movement)
	Philomena McDermott	(ELBs)
	Gerry Murphy	(St Mary's PS)
	Rose Marie Maughan	(Irish Traveller Movement)
	John McCavana	(ETI)
	Aodhan Macsheafraidh	(CnaG)
	Colette Murray	(Pavee Point)
	Annie McDonagh	(Traveller Representative)
	Kathleen Sheridan	(Traveller Representative)
	Barbara Fitzgerald	(Traveller Representative)
	Barbara Purcell	(Traveller Representative)
	Mollie Simpson	(NICCY)
	Colin Jack	(OFMDFM)
	Mairead McCafferty	(NITICU/NASUWT)
	Margaret Boyle	(Derry Travellers Support Group)
	Stephen Jackson	(DEL)
	Kathryn Stevenson	(Children's Law Centre)

3) Welcome and minutes from previous meetings

3.1 The Chair welcomed everyone and asked if the minutes from the previous meeting (30 November 2010) could be agreed.

3.2 Minutes were agreed.

4) Bob Collins – Chair of Report Sub-Group

4.1 Bob Collins explained that he chaired a working group to review the structure, material and shape of the draft Taskforce Report.

4.2 The working group met on two occasions and as well as Bob Collins included Gerry MacDonald, Gerry Murphy, Kieran Shields, Derek Hanway, Philomena McDermott and John McGoran (Secretariat).

4.3 The working group's aim was to make sure that the report reflected the work and expectations of the Taskforce and what the Taskforce would want the reader to take from it.

4.4 The working group made their suggestions and asked the secretariat to redraft for consideration by the full Taskforce.

5) Taskforce on Traveller Education Report – Discussion on draft recommendations

5.1 A discussion took place on the draft recommendations and a few changes/amendments to the report were agreed.

5.2 Once the changes/amendments have been completed, it was agreed that the report can then be finalised for presentation to the DE Minister.

Action: DE to make changes/amendments.

6) AOB

6.2 The chair thanked all members and the secretariat for their work throughout the Taskforce on Traveller Education.