

Renfrewshire Joint Negotiating Committee for Teachers

To: Renfrewshire Joint Negotiating Committee for Teachers

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Reporting of incidents of Violence and Aggression

Report by

Joint Secretary (Teachers' Side)

Background

Recent local press reports indicate a number of violent incidents in Renfrewshire schools both in primary and secondary schools; any violent incident is a cause for concern and the processes for logging incidents should be effective and result in an action plan where appropriate.

As was indicated in the paper presented to the Education policy board on 18th August, 2022, Business World is being reviewed across the Authority. Previous discussions around the format for reporting incidents of violence and aggression in educational establishments have raised the issue of problems with Business World as a platform for reporting these incidents. The Teachers' side has been assured that the matter is being investigated but is still waiting for an update on what progress is being made with regards to the functionality of the violence and aggression reporting forms on Business World.

Action

- The Teachers' Side is seeking an update on the present position with regards to Business World as a platform for reporting incidents of violence and aggression towards teachers.
- The Teachers' Side notes the formation of the Working Group indicated at the aforementioned Policy Board at appendix 1 (Pg 23) and appendix 2 (page24) and would seek to be included on that group.