**Minutes of Inaugural meeting**

**Monday 17th July 3.30pm in Room N, PCH**

Present

Nic Dakin MP

Emma Hardy MP

Jo Platt MP

Baroness Howe of Idlicote

Lord Storey

Lawrence Rayner (office of Nic Dakin MP)

Anna Wolffe and George Shorey (Secretariat)

Nic Dakin MP welcomed everyone to the meeting, introductions were made.

**Apologies** were given by:

Andrea Jenkyns MP

Martin Whitfield MP

Ruth George MP

Thelma Walker MP

Lord Lucas

The following were unanimously elected as **officers** of the APPG

Co- Chair: Nic Dakin MP and Andrea Jenkyns MP

Vice-Chair: Lord Storey and Emma Hardy MP

Proposed by Jo Platt MP and seconded by Baroness Howe

The new group briefly discussed the successes of last Parliament's Education APPG, including the comprehensive inquiry into career progression for young people.

A variety of issues were raised for inclusion in the upcoming agenda and future work of the group, with a full programme to be released in due course. Topics included primary assessment, teacher retention and training, mental health provision in schools, home school tuition, role of school governors and school funding. Now that the APPG has been successfully formed, the members are looking forward to continuing their work scrutinising the issues surrounding education provision in the UK over the course of the next parliament.

The meeting was adjourned at 4.00pm and the Secretariat agree to circulate a copy of *How well do schools prepare children for their future* report with the minutes of the meeting.