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Summary: This is a letter from the Local Service Board Performance Panel to the Chair of the Local Service Board following the meeting of the Panel on the 23rd March 2015. It is about the One Swansea Plan Annual Review. The decision to allow the public to attend the Local Service Board meetings from July onwards was welcomed by the Panel.

Dear Councillor Stewart

**Local Service Board Scrutiny Performance Panel
23rd March 2015**

The Local Service Board Scrutiny Panel met on March 23rd 2015 and the main item on the agenda was the One Swansea Plan Annual Review.

One Swansea Plan Annual Review

The Panel discussed the plan at length and how they could contribute to the annual review process. The Panel was asked to provide comment on the plan in terms of:

- What is good ?
- What is not so good ?
- What improvements could be made ?

In terms of 'what is good', the Panel was pleased to note that each of the 21 challenges listed within the Plan has both an indicator and aspiration attached to it. Also, that the Local Service Board is focussing on an issue and how it is covered within the range of challenges.

To improve the annual review process a number of recommendations and suggestions were raised;

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- There should be greater visibility of the indicators that track the aspirations.
- The Local Service Board should introduce a system that shows the status of each indicator. An example of this is the RAG system which is used to measure performance.
- The Local Service Board should introduce a clear mechanism that outlines the priorities of their work plan for the forthcoming year.

Publications

The Panel felt that recommendations and information generated by Scrutiny would be useful to members of the Local Service Board. Also, that they would be helpful to inform the development and delivery of the One Swansea Plan. For example; the current work being carried out by the Education Inclusion Inquiry which is relevant to some of the challenges listed in the One Swansea Plan.

Currently, all Scrutiny information, agenda packs, reports and letters are put on the Scrutiny publications page, which can be found on the public City & County of Swansea website, www.swansea.gov.uk/scrutinypublications . The Panel hopes that the new website for the Local Service Board will include links to the open meetings, agenda packs, reports and other publications.

While, we understand that the points raised in this letter will be fed into the review process and would welcome any further comments, **we do not expect you to provide a response.**

Yours sincerely,



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