

Report of the Chair

Scrutiny Programme Committee – 14 October 2019

Scrutiny Performance Panel Progress Report

Purpose The Committee is responsible for managing the overall

work of scrutiny and its effectiveness. Performance Panel conveners will regularly provide a progress report, updating the Committee on headlines from their Panel's

work and impact.

Content This report focuses on the following Performance Panel:

a) Education

Councillors are being asked to

• Ensure awareness and understanding of the work of

the Panel

Consider its effectiveness and impact

Consider any issues arising and action required

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Councillor(s)

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1. Introduction

- 1.1 There are now seven Performance Panels which have been established by the Committee. Whilst the work of Inquiry Panels leads to the production of a final report with conclusions and recommendations for Cabinet based on evidence gathered on a specific issue, the work of Performance Panels represent regular monitoring of, and challenge, to particular services / service areas.
- 1.2 Performance Panels are expected to have on-going correspondence with relevant cabinet / lead members in order to share views and recommendations, arising from monitoring activities, about the performance of services and service delivery.
- 1.3 The Committee is responsible for managing the overall work of scrutiny and its effectiveness. Performance Panels Conveners will therefore provide a regular progress report to the Committee to enable:

- a discussion on the work of each Panel, achievements, effectiveness and impact
- the Committee to consider any issues arising from Panel activities which may have an impact on the overall scrutiny work programme
- awareness amongst the Committee as well as visibility across the council and public.
- 1.4 This report is about the following Performance Panel:

a) Education

To focus the discussion a short written report has been provided by the convener of the Panel, and is *attached*. This updates on work carried out since the last update was provided (when the Panel was then known as Schools) in March 2019. This includes a summary of Panel activities, correspondence between the Panel and relevant Cabinet Members, recommendations and impact.

1.5 The Education Performance Panel has a membership of 15, as follows:

Councillors:

Labour Councillors: 5

Cyril Anderson	Beverley Hopkins
Mike Durke	Hazel Morris
Louise Gibbard	

Liberal Democrat/Independent Councillors: 3

Mike Day	Susan Jones
Lynda James	

Conservative Councillor: 5

Steve Gallagher	Myles Langstone
David Helliwell	Linda Tyler-Lloyd
Lyndon Jones	

Statutory Education Co-optees: 2

Dave Anderson-Thomas	Alexander Roberts

2. Legal Implications

2.1 There are no specific legal implications raised by this report.

3. Financial Implications

3.1 There are no specific financial implications raised by this report.

Background Papers: None

Appendices: Appendix 1 – Scrutiny Performance Panel Update