



## Report of the Chair

Scrutiny Programme Committee – 9 March 2020

### Scrutiny Performance Panel Progress Reports

<b>Purpose</b>	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.
<b>Content</b>	This report focuses on the following Performance Panel: a) Education
<b>Councillors are being asked to</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ensure awareness and understanding of the work of the Panel</li><li>• Consider its effectiveness and impact</li><li>• Consider any issues arising and action required</li></ul>
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#### 1. Introduction

- 1.1 There are 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 – this updates on work carried out since the last update was provided in October 2019.

To focus the discussion a short written report has been provided by the convener of each Panel, and are **attached**. 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 current 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 Councillors: 5**

Steve Gallagher	Myles Langstone
David Helliwell	Linda Tyler-Lloyd
<b>Lyndon Jones (CONVENER)</b>	

**Statutory Cooptees: 2**

David Anderson-Thomas	Parent Governor Representative
Alexander Roberts	Parent Governor Representative

**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