



Report of the Convener of the Education Performance Scrutiny Panel

1 September 2021

The New Estyn Regime and Thematic Reviews

Purpose:	To discuss the new Estyn regime and thematic reviews
Content:	Estyn attending the meeting
Councillors are being asked to:	The Panel will consider and discuss the issue and give their views to the Cabinet Member via a letter from the Convener

Background

Estyn have been invited to the Panel to update and discuss the new Estyn regime and thematic reviews.

The Panel, over and above the Estyn update on the new regime, want to look in a bit more detail at a few aspects that they have looked at themselves over the past year, to see how they may be covered by the new Estyn regime in the future. They have therefore sent the following questions to Estyn in advance of meeting:

1. How will the new inspection regime look at aspects of the new curriculum and Additional Learning Needs Reform?
2. The Panel, given the current times, are particularly interested in how Wellbeing will be looked at?
3. Another area the Panel have followed closely is Education Other Than at School services and also schools behaviour strategies, we would be interested to find out how Estyn will look at this and in particular how schools work with the most challenging pupils?
4. Given the upcoming changes here in relation to regional education activity, do Estyn look at the regional education bodies and how effectively they are supporting local education?