



Buckinghamshire County Council
Select Committee
 Education, Skills and Children's Services Select
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Education, Skills and Children's Services Select Committee Agenda Work Programme 2013-2014

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| 22 nd April 2014 10am <i>Venue Mez Room 2, New County Offices, Aylesbury</i> | | |
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| Topic / Description | Evidence | Witnesses |
| <p>Elective Home Education and School Absenteeism An overview and review elective home school education in Buckinghamshire, and of the rates of absenteeism in Buckinghamshire schools, identified groups of high absenteeism, identified schools with high rates of absenteeism, and the strategies in place to support schools in reducing absenteeism.</p> <p>Spring 2014 (one meeting)</p> | <p>A report on An overview and review elective home school education in Buckinghamshire, school absenteeism, including the rates of absenteeism in Buckinghamshire schools, identified groups of high absenteeism, identified schools with high rates of absenteeism, benchmarked against national and statistical neighbour local authority areas, and the strategies in place to support schools in reducing absenteeism.</p> | <p>Councillor Mr Mike Appleyard – Cabinet Member for Education and Skills</p> |

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| <p>Young People, Ready for Work Inquiry To agree the Young People Ready for Work Inquiry into young people's work readiness report and recommendations</p> | <p>The Young People Ready for Work Inquiry report.</p> | <p>Councillor Mr Mike Appleyard – Cabinet Member for Education and Skills Youth Parliament representatives</p> |
| <p>The Bucks Learning Trust 2 An update on the Bucks Learning Trust. – performance monitoring and review (ongoing)</p> <p>Starts - 23 October 2013 Ends – 22 April 2014</p> <p>(two meetings)</p> | <p>An questions from and questions to the Chief Executive of the Bucks Learning Trust to introduce the Bucks Learning Trust, it's aims and objectives, structure, service provision, targets and performance indicators, key stakeholders, risk management and progress to date.</p> <p>Ref: E&SPO6(a)</p> | <p>Raza Khan – Chief Executive of the Bucks Learning Trust. Chris Munday - Service Director, Learning, Skills and Prevention</p> |
| <p>School Governance 2 Improving schools through effective local accountability.</p> <p><i>An inquiry to review the support and advice available to school governors in their role and how this could be enhanced.</i></p> <p>Starts - 10 December 2013 Ends – 22 April 2014</p> <p>(two meetings)</p> | <p>A report on the provisions in place to support effective school governance.</p> <p>Ref: E&SPO4(f)</p> | <p>Councillor Mr Mike Appleyard – Cabinet Member for Education and Skills Chris Munday - Service Director, Learning, Skills and Prevention Andrew Walker – Chairman of the BASG Head Teachers and School Governors</p> |
| <p>Learning New Ways To review the implementation of the agreed recommendations of the Learning new Ways Scrutiny Review.</p> <p>April/May 2013</p> <p>(one meeting)</p> | <p>A report on the implementation of the agreed scrutiny recommendations of the Learning New Ways Scrutiny Inquiry, including identification of agreed recommendations implemented, agreed recommendations not implemented and reasons why, implementation dates and key stages, actions arising and quantitative and qualitative evidence of outcomes from the implementation of the agreed</p> | <p>Cllr Mr Mike Appleyard – Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Education and Skills Chris Munday - Service Director, Learning, Skills and Prevention Councillor Avril Davis – Chairman of the Learning New Ways Scrutiny Task and Finish Group (schools inc Head Teachers and Chairs of School Governing Bodies)</p> |

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| | recommendations and scrutiny inquiry. | |
| Key Issues for Scrutiny 2014-2015 | Education and Skills Portfolio Plan Children and Young People Portfolio Plan Children's Services Portfolio Plan | |
| 27th May 2014 10am | | |
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| The Munro Programme A briefing on the work and progress of the Munro Programme, including, specifically, progress on financial savings. Starts – 10 September 2013 Ends – 18 February 2014 (two meetings) | Questions on the work and progress of the Munro Programme and questions to the Cabinet Member for Children's Services. Ref: CSPO1/2/3/4 CSPO1(a) E&SPO6(c) | Cllr Ms Angela Macpherson – Cabinet Member for Children's Services Stephen Bagnall - Service Director - Child & Family Service |
| Families First 3 A review of the progress of the Families First programme (Buckinghamshire's response to the "Troubled Families" initiative). Starts - 23 July 2013 Ends – May 2014 (three meetings) | Questions on the progress of the Families First programme and questions to the Cabinet Member for Children's Services. Ref; CSPO1 (b) E&SPO6(d&m) | Cllr Ms Angela Macpherson – Cabinet Member for Children's Services Stephen Bagnall - Service Director - Child & Family Service |
| Child Protection To review the arrangements in place to ensure that the right children have a formal child protection plan and that they receive appropriate help to secure their long term safety and well-being. | Questions on arrangements in place to ensure that the right children have a formal child protection plan and that they receive appropriate help to secure their long term safety and well-being and questions to the Cabinet Member for Children's Services. | Cllr Ms Angela Macpherson – Cabinet Member for Children's Services Stephen Bagnall - Service Director - Child & Family Service |

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| <p>Starts – 10 September 2013 Ends – Spring 2014</p> <p>(two meetings)</p> | <p>Ref: CSPO2</p> <p>(JCS&ESPP 2012-2013 - 3. Early Intervention and Secondary Prevention)</p> | |
| <p>Educational Attainment Gaps Monitoring and review narrow educational attainment gaps (alignment and progress).</p> | <p>An update and review narrow educational attainment gaps (alignment and progress).</p> | <p>Councillor Mr Mike Appleyard – Cabinet Member for Education and Skills Chris Munday - Service Director, Learning, Skills and Prevention</p> |
| <p>Educational Standards 2 To review the attainment performance of Buckinghamshire schools at various Key Stages.</p> <p>Starts - 23 July 2013 Starts - February 2014</p> <p>(two meetings)</p> | <p>A report on the attainment performance of Buckinghamshire schools at various Key Stages in 2012-2013.</p> <p>Ref: E&SPO7(b)</p> | <p>Cllr Mr Mike Appleyard – Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Education and Skills Chris Munday - Service Director, Learning, Skills and Prevention</p> |
| <p>ESCSSC Annual Work Programme 2014-2015</p> | | <p>Cllr Mrs Val Letheren – Chairman of the ESCSSC Michael Carr – Scrutiny Policy Officer</p> |