

EDUCATION & CHILDREN SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – 23RD DECEMBER 2021

FORTHCOMING ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD ON 27TH JANUARY 2022

Agenda Item	Background	Reason for report
<p>Covid Recovery (inc. scrutiny liaison with schools)</p> <p>[schools to be invited to participate in the meeting]</p>	<p>Currently members of the Scrutiny Committee are unable to visit schools. Therefore, a principle of School Engagement Sessions has been agreed with members. For the meeting in January, a school will be invited to share information about how it is responding to the Covid Pandemic. This will be in the form of a presentation followed by a Q&A session.</p>	<p>To provide members with first-hand evidence of the impact of the pandemic, and how schools are focusing on pupils' wellbeing and key skills.</p>
<p>Budget Consultation</p>	<p>The objective of the report is to allow members to consider the corporate budget strategy for the financial years 2022/23 to 2024/25 to consider the service delivery impact and options for the forthcoming years.</p>	<p>To consider and comment on the following issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members consider and comment on the budget strategy proposals • Members consider and comment on the proposals for delivery of efficiency savings for their service area identified in Appendix A(i) • Members are also invited to bring forward any other proposals for efficiency savings • Members examine the Departmental Budgets • Members endorse the Charging Digests
<p>Departmental Business Plan</p>	<p>The full business plan includes a self-assessment of performance during 2021-22 and outlines the priorities for the department during 2022/23 – 2025 and how the Services support the delivery of the Corporate Strategy.</p> <p>The document also accompanies the Revenue Budget Consultation as an integration of financial and business planning (this was also a proposal for improvement by Audit Office).</p>	<p>To give members an opportunity to review the Department's draft business plan.</p>

Items circulated to the Committee under separate cover since the last meeting

- Revenue and Capital Budget Monitoring Report 2021/22 (as at 31st August 2021)
- 2021/22 Quarter 2 - Performance Report (1st April to 30th September 2021)

Items attached for information

1. The latest version of the Education & Children Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme 2021/22
2. The latest version of the Cabinet's Forward Work Programme 2021/22