

### Education Scrutiny Committee Work programme (2019)

Outlined below is the Education Scrutiny Committee's proposed work programme.

The programme aims to prioritise areas of scrutiny where the Committee can add most value, either by holding to account or contributing to policy development. It does this by focusing on areas of public interest, where the committee's impact can be measured, interrogating performance information and keeping abreast of current areas of change / review.

Agenda Item	Reasons and objective for item	Lead Member / Officer
<b>6 February 2019</b>		
Educational Attainment Report 2018	A report on the validated education attainment results across all Key Stages highlighting positive outcomes and areas of concern	Head of Learning and School Improvement/Performance Information Manager
Northfield School	A verbal update relating to Cabinet's approval for rebuilding the school on existing its site. The school has been put into Special Measures by Ofsted.	Deputy Director for Education
School Exclusions Deep Dive – 6-month update	A progress report on the implementation of recommendations from the Education Scrutiny Committee's deep dive into school exclusions.	Deputy Director for Education/Cabinet Member for Education and Cultural Services
Post 16 Destination Management	A report about the destinations for post-16 pupils with a focus on studio schools and UTCs and the possible reasons for decreasing pupil numbers at these establishments.	Strategic Lead for Education Sufficiency
The County Council's Education Role and Relationships with Schools and Colleges	A report setting out the county council's evolving relationship with schools and colleges, to include a breakdown of staffing and roles in the Education team. This report is intended as the basis for planning the Committee's work going forward.	Deputy Director for Education
<b>**New Date** 25 March 2019 (previously 3 April 2019)</b>		
Ofsted Regional Director	A question and answer session with the Ofsted Regional Director and/or representatives from	Chairman

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School Absence and Attendance	Recommendations from the committee working group on improving school attendance	Cllr Michael Waine
Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Strategy	To receive a report about the implementation of Council's SEND strategy.	Director for Education
Project Athens (Carillion) Update: School Building Maintenance	To receive an update report about how school building maintenance work is being prioritised and scheduled in maintained schools and academies who contract the Council following the liquidation of Carillion	Assistant Director for Major Infrastructure and Construction/Director for Capital Investment and Delivery
<b>19 June 2019</b>		
Regional Schools Commissioner	A question and answer session with the Regional Schools Commissioner Chairman	Chairman
Educational Attainment	Recommendations from the committee working group on improving educational performance	Vice Chairman Cllr John Howson
Annual Academies in Oxfordshire Report	An update on academies' status, issues and trends across Oxfordshire	Strategic Lead for Education Sufficiency
<b>4 September 2019</b>		
<b>To be scheduled</b>		
Closing the gap (vulnerable learners)	Pathways to raising the attainment of vulnerable pupils (best practice), current provision of support, an overview of the profile of vulnerable learners	
Looked After Children educational attainment	A review of attainment for a particular vulnerable group	
Demographic trends	Planning for school places and supporting families with English as an additional language	
Disparity in educational outcomes across Localities	Profile of educational outcomes across Oxfordshire – sharing learning across the county.	
Schools funding formula	Potentially a task group reporting back to ESC	

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Children and Family Centres and Locality Community Support Services	To present the findings of the monitoring investigations undertaken by members of the Committee following on from the presentation in July 2018	Cllr Michael Waine/Area Social Care Manager