

Education and Local Economy Scrutiny Commission

Monday 18 November 2024

7.00 pm

Ground Floor Meeting Room G02A - 160 Tooley Street, London SE1 2QH

Membership

Councillor Cassandra Brown (Chair)
Councillor Rachel Bentley (Vice-Chair)
Councillor Sunil Chopra
Councillor Renata Hamvas
Councillor Jon Hartley
Councillor Youcef Hassaine
Councillor Irina Von Wiese
Martin Brecknell (Co-opted member)
Jonathan Clay (Co-opted member)
Marcin Jagodzinski (Co-opted member)

Reserves

Councillor Gavin Edwards
Councillor Ketzia Harper
Councillor Sunny Lambe
Councillor Jason Ochere
Councillor Victor Chamberlain
Councillor Adam Hood

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Members of the committee are summoned to attend this meeting

Althea Loderick

Chief Executive

Date: 10 November 2024



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PART A OPEN BUSINESS

1. APOLOGIES

To receive any apologies for absence.

2. NOTIFICATION OF ANY ITEMS OF BUSINESS WHICH THE CHAIR DEEMS URGENT

In special circumstances, an item of business may be added to an agenda within five clear working days of the meeting.

3. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS.

Members to declare any interests and dispensations in respect of any item of business to be considered at this meeting.

4. MINUTES

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To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 26 September 2024.

5. INTERVIEWING RETIRED HEADTEACHER (SEND) AND SEND TRIBUNAL MEDIATOR.

To hear from Retired Headteacher, Fran Goggins working with SEND and SEND Tribunal Mediator, Catriona Ogilvy on SEND.

- Personal experience with Southwark
- Challenges dealing with SEND in Southwark.
- Improvements needed in Southwark SEND based on their experiences.

6. INCLUSIONS IN SCHOOLS

To receive a presentation from Councillor Jasmine Ali on Inclusion in Schools.

To hear from the executive headteacher GEM Federation of Schools (primary school) on dealing with persistent absences successfully.

To receive reports from Jenny Brennan, Assistant Director, Family Early Help and Youth Justice on persistent absences and permanent exclusions in schools.

- Schools with high number of exclusions
- Demographics of exclusions
- Schools with no exclusions
- Persistent absences (demographics of schools with absences)

To also hear from a secondary school teacher on issues around schools' exclusions.

7. UPDATE ON EDUCATION AND HEALTH CARE PLAN (EHCP) 7 - 20

To get an update from Anna Chiva, Assistant Director for SEND on EHCPs'.

8. PROPOSED WORK PROGRAMME 2024-2025 21 - 28

To consider the proposed work programme for the 2024-2025 year.

DISCUSSION OF ANY OTHER OPEN ITEMS AS NOTIFIED AT THE START OF THE MEETING.

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