

Education and Local Economy Scrutiny Commission

Wednesday 3 December 2025

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 Irina Von Wiese
Councillor Mohamed Deen
Councillor Margy Newens
Councillor Jon Hartley
Councillor Youcef Hassaine
Martin Brecknell (Co-opted member)
Alie Kallon (Co-opted member)
Mannah Kargbo (Co-opted member)
Claire Williams (Co-opted member)

Reserves

Councillor Joseph Vambe
Councillor Maggie Browning
Councillor Sunny Lambe
Councillor Jason Ochere
Councillor Sam Foster
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: 25 November 2025



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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 6 October 2025.

5. CABINET MEMBER INTERVIEW - CHILDREN, EDUCATION AND REFUGEES

To interview Councillor Jasmine Ali, Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Refugees covering a holistic overview of key strategies and projects under the cabinet member portfolio including Breakfast Clubs in Schools.

6. SOUTHWARK SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN PARTNERSHIP (SSCP)

To receive the SSCP Annual Report for 2024/25 from Alasdair Smith, Director of Children's Services (*report to follow*)

- Major Changes- Children's well-being and schools bill in parliament, scrutiny of safe-guarding work, core child protection activity and reduction of children in child protection plan
- SSCP transformation and roles

7. CONNECT TO WORK PROGRAMME

To receive an update from officers Danny Edwards, Head of Economy and Nick Wolff, Employment and Skills Manager on employment support for those facing health and disability barriers to work, delivered through the Connect to Work programme. (*report to follow*)

8. WORK PROGRAMME 2025 - 2026

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To consider the Work Programme for the 2025 – 2026 year.

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

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