Education and Local Economy Scrutiny Commission

Tuesday 20 October 2026
7.00 pm
Ground Floor Meeting Room G01A - 160 Tooley Street, London SE1 2QH

Membership

Councillor Rachael Penny (Chair)
Councillor Hellen Benavides (Vice-Chair)
Councillor Jasmine Ali
Councillor Sam Dalton
Councillor Callum Fowler
Councillor Tori Griffiths
Councillor Felicia Johnston
Martin Brecknell (Co-opted member)
Alie Kallon (Co-opted member)
Mannah Kargbo (Co-opted member)
Claire Williams (Co-opted member)

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Councillor Colin Boyle
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Members of the committee are summoned to attend this meeting
Althea Loderick
Chief Executive
Date: 12 October 2026



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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** To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 23 July 2026.	1 - 13

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5. PATHWAYS TO WORK FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AND SOUTHWARK YOUTH PARLIAMENT 14 - 27

To receive a report from Nick Wolff, Employment and Skills Manager and Suzanne Wright, Head of School Support and Admissions, Children and Adult Services on Pathways to Work for Young People

To also hear from young people from the Southwark Youth Parliament on young peoples' experiences with work and Internships and Apprenticeships.

6. SEND REFORM PLAN 28 - 72

To receive a report from Alasdair Smith, Director of Children's Services and Anna Chiva, Deputy Director Children's Services Learning and Inclusion, Children Services on the SEND Reform Plan.

7. WORK PROGRAMME 2026-27 73 - 79

To consider the work programme for the 2026-27 year.

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

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