

Education and Local Economy Scrutiny Commission Work Programme – 2022-23

Meeting	Agenda items	Comment
<p>20 July 2022</p>	<p>Impact on businesses in the face of the cost-of-living crisis</p>	<p>Presentation received from Matthew Little, Principal Strategy Officer, Chief Executive’s on Impact on businesses in the face of the cost-of-living crisis specifically the Council’s role in:</p> <p>Jobs and recruitment Business support Community wealth building (addressing the supply chain question) London Living Wage</p>
	<p>Pupil Places: Looking at shortfalls in primary pupil numbers across Southwark</p>	<p>Report received Councillor Jasmine Ali, Cabinet Member for Children, Young People and Education and senior officers on Pupil Places: Looking at shortfalls in primary pupil numbers across Southwark.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Impact of Brexit · Falling population rates · Pupil premium · Migration to outside of London. · Planning Policy and overall house-building programme

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	Work Programme	<p>Proposed work programme items for the year 2022-2023</p> <p>Considered at each meeting.</p>
17 October 2022	<p>Pupil Places: Looking at shortfalls in primary pupil numbers across the borough</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion with Head Teachers • Planning strategies for family sized homes to help mitigate falling rolls in schools. 	<p>Discussion with Head Teachers of Bellenden Primary School, Grange Primary School, Ivy dale Primary School, Rye Oak Primary School, Townsend Primary School and Victory Primary School.</p> <p>Juliet Seymour, Planning Policy Manager presenting a report on Planning Strategies for family sized homes to help mitigate the falling rolls in schools.</p>
	<p>Impact of the cost-of-living crisis on businesses in Southwark</p> <p>Local Businesses coping with cost-of-living crisis, especially supply chain issues</p>	<p>Jacqueline Kneebone, Regional Director for Environment, Social, Governance, Sea Containers, Lore Group and Floris Kouijzer Hotel Manager presenting a report to the commission on supply chain issues.</p> <p>Pete Avery, Federation of Small Businesses.</p>

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6 December 2022	Closure St Johns Walworth school	Roz Cordenar, COE Diocese, explaining the circumstances leading to the closure of St. Johns Walworth School.
	Greater London Authority(GLA) – School Rolls Projections	Ben Corr, Demography and City Modelling Manager explaining population projections and the School Rolls Projections Service.
	Pupil Place Planning Advisers- Regions Group- Department for Education (DFE)	Claire Burton, Regional Director for London providing a note on the role of pupil place planning advisers and their working relationship with Local Authorities and Academy Trusts.
	Interview with Cabinet Member for Jobs, Business and Town Centres.	<p>Interview with Councillor Martin Seaton including a holistic overview of key strategies and projects under the Cabinet member portfolio for Jobs, Business and Town Centres with a focus on key aspects but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opportunities for ex-offenders and the success rate in Southwark Works. • Living wage and conditions of employment such as zero hour contracts. • Number of BAME workers in businesses in Southwark as previous report suggested 85% of client businesses supporting BAME workers • Affordable work spaces • Figures on empty and occupied commercial properties, council and privately owned (landlords)

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Businesses performances on the climate change targets including green jobs for youth of the future. • Progress and delivery of the Southwark Pioneers Fund (SPF) • New Economic Strategy Consultation • Growing Ethnic Minority Pay Gap

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8 February2023	Impact of Cost-of-Living Crisis on Businesses	<p>Discussion with representatives of Businesses Improvement Districts on the Impact of Cost-Of-Living Crisis:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Russell Dryden, Blue Bermondsey • Nic Durston, South Bank London
	Interview with Cabinet Member for Children, Young People and Schools.	<p>Interview with Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member Councillor Jasmine Ali including a holistic overview of key strategies and projects under the Cabinet member portfolio for Children, Young People and Schools with a focus on key aspects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aspects of school funding impacted by rising cost of living crisis • Data on reception cohorts across London councils, PAN London Place Planning Group. • Health and safety around bringing up children in London air quality- health and leisure and climate change

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8 February 2023		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Progress and delivery of the inclusion Charter in schools across Southwark. • Inclusion of Black children and anti-racism in schools • Green Energy for schools • BAME staff disciplinary in schools • From previous year 2021-2022 Education and Local Economy Scrutiny commission- Special Education Needs and Disabilities (SEND) provision in Southwark especially the new SND strategy due to be out in the summer of 2022. Written updates, follow up response to cabinet.
	Children's Safeguarding	Interview with the independent Chair for Children's Safeguarding to discuss Southwark Safeguarding Children Partnership (SSCP).
6 March 2023	Pupil Places: Looking at shortfalls in primary pupil numbers across Southwark	Discussion on pupil places: falling rolls with Paul Smith, Regional Director, London from National Association of Head teachers (NAHT)
	Impact of the cost-of-living crisis- Southwark Black Business Network	To hear from Shade Abdul, Chair of the Southwark Black Business Network and Tina Daley on insights from traders on East Street and impact of the Cost-of-Living Crisis on black businesses.

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	Draft Scrutiny Recommendations	<p>To propose and draft scrutiny recommendations on the following topics</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pupil Places: Looking at shortfalls in primary pupil numbers across Southwark • Impact of the cost-of-living crisis on businesses in Southwark
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19 April 2023	Mitigating Falling School Rolls - Keeping Education Strong Strategy	Councillor Jasmine Ali, Nina Dohel, Director of Education, Children and Adult Services and independent consultant Helen Jenner to discuss the review of falling school rolls and the outcomes.
	Falling Pupil Numbers follow up data/ reports	<p>Reports listed below are to note</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • S-106 Monies for schools • Social rented housing not at affordable housing levels undergoing enforcement investigations • Air quality data around schools
	Local Access Partnership (LAP)	Councillor Martin Seaton, Cabinet Member for Jobs, Business and Town Centres, Danny Edwards, Head of Economy, Matt Little, Principal Strategy Officer and Jon Hitchin. Chief Executive of Renaisi (accountable body for Southwark LAP).
	Final Scrutiny Recommendations	TBC