

ACTION TRACKING FOR THE EDUCATION, YOUTH & CULTURE OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Meeting Date	Agenda item	Action Required	Action Officer(s)	Action taken	Timescale
14.09.2023	7. Self-Evaluation Report Education Services 2022-23	Cllr Hilary McGuill sought clarification on the Condition Grades listed as A,B,C and D identified as part of the Suitability Survey. Claire Homard suggested that Jennie Williams provide a short briefing note to explain the differences in the condition grades following the meeting.	Claire Homard / Jennie Williams	Information circulated to Members of the Committee via e-mail.	Completed
19.10.2023	3. Forward Work Programme and Action Tracking	<p>Cllr Dave Mackie referred to the training data appendix from the GwE Annual Report, circulated to the Committee following the last meeting. He explained that the information requested had been as follows:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What training was being offered to teachers in Flintshire; • What training is being devised; • What was the purpose of the training; • How many people are expected to attend the training. <p>Cllr Mackie asked if the training data document could be refined to include the above information and said that he would be happy to meet with officers to discuss this following the meeting.</p>	Vicky Barlow / Ceri Shotton	Information circulated to Members of the Committee via e-mail.	Completed

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		Ceri Shotton agreed to pick this up with officers following the meeting.			
19.10.2023	3. Forward Work Programme and Action Tracking	<p>Cllr Dave Mackie referred to the ongoing risk and projected overspend in the current financial year for Out of County Placements, as shown in the budget report later on in the Agenda. He referred to a workshop held a number of years ago which he said had been helpful to inform Members what was involved in Out of County Placements. He asked if this issue could be put on the FWP for Members to better understand what was involved and also maybe assist with possible solutions to the budget pressure. He also suggested that information be provided to Members on Out of County Placements following every County Council election. Ceri Shotton advised that Out of County Placements fell under the terms of reference of the Social & Health Care OSC and that she would pass on the request following the meeting and also ask that the Committee be invited to any consideration on this matter.</p>	Ceri Shotton	<p>Item added on Social & Health Care OSC FWP for the meeting scheduled for 29th February 2024.</p> <p>E-mail also sent to the Democratic Service Manager to request that a workshop on Out of County Placements be included in the future workshop timetable following County Council elections.</p>	Completed.
19.10.2023	4. Budget 2024/25 – Stage 2	As shown in recommendation (e) that a report on issues around recruitment and retention be added to the FWP. It was explained that this was a wider issue affecting all portfolio's, therefore	Ceri Shotton	Discussion ongoing on how this information is to be presented to Members.	On-going

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		consideration would need to be given on how this could be taken forward.			
19.10.2023	4. Budget 2024/25 – Stage 2	As shown in recommendation (f) that a report on demographics and how this would impact future budgets be added to the FWP.	Ceri Shotton	Added to FWP as 'items to be scheduled'.	Completed.
19.10.2023	4. Budget 2024/25 – Stage 2	Cllr Andrew Parkhurst referred to the increase in demand and complexity of Education Other Than At School (EOTAS) and asked whether the reduction in the need for external placements could reduce the cost estimated for 2025/26. Liz Thomas explained that the budget pressure shown for 2025/26 was a gross position of increasing costs of staff and resources needed at Plas Derwen. She said that she would speak to Jeanette Rock following the meeting around what information on estimates could be provided to the Committee following the meeting.	Liz Thomas / Jeanette Rock		
19.10.2023	4. Budget 2024/25 – Stage 2	Cllr Parkhurst also referred to recommendation 5 within the report and said that he had difficulty in providing areas of possible cost efficiency as Members had not been provided with a breakdown of the Education and Youth portfolio budget line by line. Liz Thomas referred to information provided to Members last	Liz Thomas	Information circulated to Committee Members via e-mail.	Completed.

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		year which provided a breakdown of portfolio budgets and said this could be circulated to the Committee if it felt it would be useful. Cllr Parkhurst welcomed the additional information being circulated following the meeting.			
19.10.2023	5. Flintshire County Summer Playscheme 2023	Councillor Dave Mackie referred to the Leeswood Transition Club, details of which had been provided at Appendix 6 of the report and suggested that the Committee receive a fuller report on the success of the scheme at a future meeting. The Lead Officer (Play Development) confirmed that he would be happy to provide a further report to the Committee.	Matt Hayes / Ceri Shotton	Added to FWP as 'items to be scheduled'.	Completed.