

Children and Young People Select Committee Chair's Update May 2024

Scrutiny Review – Narrowing the Gap in Educational Attainment	
Achieved since last meeting	<p>The Select Committee's current review is being carried out utilising an Appreciative Inquiry (AI) model.</p> <p>An AI model is a collaborative process that involves all stakeholders, from top management to frontline employees and, in the case of this review, much stronger involvement with the education sector to create a shared vision and find solutions in a creative and innovative way.</p> <p>As part of the review, two all day stakeholder workshops were held in March around the two areas agreed by the Committee as the focus of its work:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8 March 2024 – Attendance • 22 March 2024 - Communication (vocabulary, oracy and literacy) <p>Key stakeholders were invited to attend each workshop, with 50 attending the first session and 47 attending the second session.</p> <p>Pupil and parent/carer voice interviews have also taken place in four primary and four secondary schools.</p> <p>In addition, an online survey has been rolled out across children's services based on the same key questions for the pupil voice interviews. This closed on 19 April.</p> <p>Feedback from the workshops and the online survey will be presented to the May meeting.</p> <p>The May meeting will also include a facilitated session with health colleagues around the Select Committee's key questions for the review.</p> <p>Finally, a meeting has been arranged with the Parent/Carer Forum to understand if there is any further engagement that could take place to feed into the review.</p> <p>Alongside engagement, the Committee have been received presentations and updates to provide background to their review. These have included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • December – New Team around the School Partnership Offer • January – Draft Attendance Strategy • February – Early Help Appreciative Inquiry • March – Feedback from Pupil and Parent Carer Voice Interviews; Outcomes for Vulnerable Groups report • April – Attendance by the newly appointed regional DfE Advisor on attendance

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Problems or concerns	None
Planned next month	Stakeholder Workshops May Meeting – Report – Outcomes for vulnerable groups.
On track – yes / no	Yes

Overview / Performance and Quality Assurance	
Key Issues / Problems or concerns	No reports since last update.
Problems or concerns	None
Requests for more information	None

Monitoring	
Key Issues / Problems or concerns	<p>The Select Committee received progress updates in relation to agreed actions from previously completed reviews of Care Leavers EET and signed off all actions in relation to the review of Child Poverty.</p> <p>Further progress updates are scheduled as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Care Leavers EET – July 2024 • Contextual Safeguarding – July 2024

Next Scrutiny Review
HAF Programme

Remaining 2023-2024 Meetings (all 5.00pm unless stated)
15 May 2024