

## Education Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Meeting to be held on 12<sup>th</sup> March 2013

Electoral Division affected: All
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### **A summary of the provisional results at the end of Key Stage 2 and Key Stage 4 at Lancashire and District level**

(Appendix 'A' refers)

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#### **Executive Summary**

The report sets out the overall attainment in Lancashire schools at the end of Key Stages 2 and 4 based upon validated data. The results have been analysed at District level and show progress over the past four years.

#### **Recommendation**

The Education Overview and Scrutiny Committee is asked to give its views on the performance of pupils in Lancashire schools.

### **Background and Advice**

#### **Key Stage 2**

In 2012 the validated national results rose when compared with the 2011 results with 80% of pupils reaching level 4 or above in both English and mathematics. This was an increase of 6% on the previous year.

The key features of the 2012 Key Stage 2 results in Lancashire are as follows:

- The overall attainment in Lancashire rose by 5% when compared with 2011 in the end of Key Stage 2 tests and was 1% above the national average at 81%.
- Attainment in 9 districts was above the national average of 80% of pupils attaining level 4 or above in both English and mathematics.
- Attainment increased in all twelve districts in 2012.
- The greatest gains were made in Lancaster, Pendle, Hyndburn and Wyre.
- The lowest attaining district was Pendle and it was 6% below the Lancashire average. The rate of improvement in Pendle was, however, 2.5% better than the Lancashire average and as a result the attainment gap narrowed.

- The proportion of schools where there was low attainment fell but schools where there was underperformance have established detailed action plans to raise attainment

## **Key Stage 4**

The validated data shows that the proportion of pupils gaining 5 or more A\*- C grades at GCSE including English and mathematics in 2012 remained very similar to the 2011 performance in Lancashire compared with a slight rise nationally.

The key features of the Key Stage 4 results in Lancashire are as follows:

- The overall attainment in Lancashire remained similar to 2011 and was around 1% above the national average.
- Attainment was above the national average in 9 districts in Lancashire.
- In 2012 attainment increased in 6 of the 12 districts: Chorley, West Lancashire, Burnley, Rossendale, Wyre and Hyndburn, falling in the rest.
- The greatest fall in attainment was in South Ribble and Lancaster.
- The lowest attaining District was Burnley which was around 13% below the Lancashire average. The rate of improvement in Burnley was, however, better than the Lancashire and national average and the gap in attainment narrowed.
- The schools attaining below 45% in 2011 went up by an average of over 4% in 2012.
- Detailed action plans are in place for all schools where there were low levels of performance.

## **Consultations**

N/A

## **Implications:**

N/A

## **Risk management**

There are no implications for risk management arising from this report.

## **Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985**

### **List of Background Papers**

Paper	Date	Contact/Directorate/Tel
Results for Key Stage 2 National Curriculum Assessments in England, 2011/12	December 2012	Jonathan Hewitt Directorate for Children and Young People 01772 531663
GCSE and Equivalent Results in England, 2011/12	January 2013	Jonathan Hewitt Directorate for Children and Young People

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Reason for inclusion in Part II, if appropriate

N/A