Meeting of the Full Council – 26 May 2016

Report on the Education Scrutiny Committee meeting on 5 April 2016

Chair: County Councillor Cynthia Dereli

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Education Scrutiny Committee

School Attendance

A report was presented to update Education Scrutiny Committee on the levels of school attendance within Lancashire.

Resolved:

- i. The Committee's concerns and comments be noted
- ii. Further data be provided on numbers of children and ethnicity for circulation with the minutes

School Admission Process and Transport to School

The report presented to the Committee provided an overview of admissions to publicly funded schools and academies including the statutory functions of the local authority and the interaction between different admissions authorities in managing processes.

Resolved: The Committee's comments on the report be noted

LEP Skills and Employment Board

A presentation was given to the Committee with details on the work of the LEP Skills and Employment Board and its priorities.

Resolved:

- i. The Careers Enterprise Advisor Network pilot in Burnley and Blackburn be included for further discussion at a future meeting
- ii. The Area Based Review be included for further discussion at a future meeting
- iii. The report from Youth Work Strategy to come back to a future meeting

Impact on Education Service of the Regional Schools Commissioners Agenda

A verbal report was provided to the Committee on the guidance for local authorities and Regional Schools Commissioners (RSC) on 'schools causing concern'.

Resolved that:

- i. A further report to come back to the next meeting of the Committee following the outcome of the consultation
- ii. Suggested bite sized briefings on the white paper, schools funding and formula funding be considered
- iii. Bob Stott to keep the Committee informed of updates in-between meetings

Work Plan

The Chair requested that a working group be established with volunteers from the Committee to pull together a new work plan for the next municipal year.

Resolved: The Committee members noted and agreed the request to form a working group to consider items for the work plan.