

By: Peter Sass, Head of Democratic Services
To: Corporate Policy Overview and Scrutiny Committee
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Subject: **SELECT COMMITTEE - UPDATE**
Classification: Unrestricted

Summary: To update the Committee on the current topic review programme and to invite suggestions for future Select Committee topic reviews.

Select Committee Topic Review Work Programme

1. (1) There are currently no Select Committee topic reviews in the work programme which fall under the remit of this Policy Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

(2) The Select Committee work programme consists of the following:-

- Educational Attainment at Key Stage 2– Chairman Mr C Wells – The Committee completed its evidence gathering sessions which included visiting a number of schools in October/November 2011. The Committee has agreed their draft report which is being shared with Mr Whiting and Mr Leeson on 2 April 2012 prior to submission to Cabinet in May 2012 and County Council in July 2012.
- The Student Journey – Chairman Mr Kit Smith – The Committee has completed its evidence gathering sessions with key stakeholders including representatives from business and education, and from young people. The Committee has agreed their draft report which is being shared with relevant Cabinet Members and Corporate Directors on 27 March 2012 prior to submission to Cabinet and to County Council in May 2012.
- Domestic Abuse – Chaired by Mr J Kirby - held its inaugural meeting on 23 February 2012 and is due to hold visits and evidence gathering sessions in May/June/July. The report will be submitted to Cabinet and County Council in December 2012.

Suggestions for Select Committee topic reviews

2. There will be resources available to start two new Select Committee reviews in May 2012. If Members have any topics that they would like to put forward for consideration for inclusion in the future topic review programme, they should contact the Democratic Services Officer for this Committee.

3. Recommendation Members are asked to note the Select Committee topic review update and to advise the Democratic Services Officer of any items that they would like to suggest for inclusion in the Select Committee topic review programme

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