London Borough of Bromley

PART ONE - PUBLIC

Decision Maker:	Education Policy Development and Scrutiny Committee		
Date:	19 March 2013		
Decision Type:	Non-Urgent	Non-Executive	Non-Key
Title:	EDUCATION PROGRAMME 2013 - 14		
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Ward:	Boroughwide		

1. <u>Reason for report</u>

1.1 The report provides a programme of scheduled reports for the year ahead, based on items scheduled for decision by the Education Portfolio Holder and items for consideration by the Education Policy Development and Scrutiny Committee.

2. **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

- 2.1 Members of the Education PDS Committee are invited to comment on the Education Programme at Appendix 1.
- 2.2 The Education Portfolio Holder is invited to comment on the Education Programme at Appendix 1 and note its content.
- 2.3 Members are asked to note the Attendance Schedule for the Spring 2013 Programme of Council Member Visits at Appendix 2.

Corporate Policy

- 1. Policy Status: Existing Policy: As part of the Excellent Council stream within Building a Better Bromley, PDS Committees should plan and prioritise their workload to achieve the most effective outcomes.
- 2. BBB Priority: Children and Young People: To secure the best possible future for all children and young people in the Borough, including a clear focus on supporting the most vulnerable children and young people in our community.

<u>Financial</u>

- 1. Cost of proposal: No Cost
- 2. Ongoing costs: Not Applicable
- 3. Budget head/performance centre: No specific budget head
- 4. Total current budget for this head: £N/A
- 5. Source of funding: Council's Base Budget

<u>Staff</u>

- 1. Number of staff (current and additional): N/A
- 2. If from existing staff resources, number of staff hours: N/A

Legal

- 1. Legal Requirement: No statutory requirement or Government guidance:
- 2. Call-in: Applicable

Customer Impact

1. Estimated number of users/beneficiaries (current and projected): This report is intended primarily for members of this Committee to use in controlling and reviewing their ongoing work.

Ward Councillor Views

- 1. Have Ward Councillors been asked for comments? No
- 2. Summary of Ward Councillors comments: Not Applicable

3. COMMENTARY

Work Programme

- 3.1 The Programme at **Appendix 1** provides information on items scheduled for decision by the Education Portfolio Holder, items for consideration by the Education Policy Development and Scrutiny Committee and proposed information briefings for Members on which no decision is required.
- 3.2 The Programme provides a reference on future work and enables it to be amended in the light of future developments and circumstances.
- 3.3 The focus of Education PDS Committee work should be on (i) holding the Education Portfolio Holder to account, (ii) pre-decision scrutiny and (iii) policy development.

Executive Working Party

3.4 There is one standing Executive Member Working Party focusing on Special Educational Needs. Its next meeting takes place on 28 February 2013.

PDS Working Parties

3.5 The Safeguarding and Corporate Parenting Working Group is due to meet again on 7 May 2013. The Bromley Behaviour Services Working Group is due to meet again on 2 May 2013.

Council Member Visits

3.6 The Attendance Schedule for the Spring Term 2013 Council Member Visits is attached as Appendix 2 to this report for information. All Elected Council Members and Co-opted Members are invited to attend Council Member Visits.

Non-Applicable Sections:	Policy, Financial, Legal and Personnel Implications	
Background Documents: (Access via Contact Officer)	 Policy, Financial, Legal and Personnel Implications Review of the Operation of Policy Development and Scrutiny Arrangements in Bromley – April 2005 Scrutiny Toolkit – April 2006 Report 'PDS Working Practices' – 17/5/07 Executive and Resources PDS Committee Minute 5 – Executive and Resources PDS Committee, 17/05/07 Minute 58 - CYP PDS 8/10/08 Minute – 16/3/09 Full Council (decision regarding changes to Executive Decision Making arrangements, as a result of which there are no longer scheduled Portfolio Holder meetings). 	