

Decision Maker: Education Policy Development and Scrutiny Committee

Date: 5th November 2014

Decision Type: Non-Urgent Non-Executive Non-Key

Title: EDUCATION PROGRAMME 2014/15

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Ward: Borough-wide

1. Reason for report

- 1.1 This 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.
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2. **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

- 2.1 **Members of the Education PDS Committee are invited to comment on the Education Programme at Appendix 1; and, note and comment on the proposed school visits for the Autumn Term 2014/15 at Appendix 2.**
- 2.2 **The Education Portfolio Holder is invited to comment on the Education PDS Programme at Appendix 1 and note its content.**

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.
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Financial

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
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Staff

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

1. Legal Requirement: No statutory requirement or Government guidance:
 2. Call-in: Not Applicable
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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.
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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. The programme also lists the meetings of the Executive and PDS Working Groups with dates (where already scheduled).
- 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..

Council Member Visits

- 3.4 Five visits have been scheduled for the Autumn Term (September and December 2014). Two visits have taken place with seven members of this PDS committee attending. A further visit is currently being organised for December, members of the committee will be informed of the date and time shortly. For details on places available on future visits please see **Appendix 2**.
- 3.5 All Elected Council Members and Co-opted Members are invited to attend Council Member Visits and are asked to make known their interest by responding to the emails from cheryl.adams@bromley.gov.uk

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| Non-Applicable Sections: | Policy, Financial, Legal and Personnel Implications |
| Background Documents: (Access via Contact Officer) | |