

FAMILIES AND WELLBEING POLICY & PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE

ATTAINMENT SUB-COMMITTEE

OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the Attainment Sub-Committee are to support the Council and its partners in:

- raising the aspirations of young people, and in particular to raise overall attainment, especially of vulnerable groups;
- improving the outcomes for children and young people in terms of their education, training and their social and economic wellbeing;
- ensuring access to all for early years childcare and education, primary and secondary education and lifelong learning;
- ensuring that children and young people's views and voices are evidenced in and integral to all of the above objectives.

TERMS OF REFERENCE

The Attainment Sub-Committee will provide oversight, support and challenge to the activities of Wirral Council and its partners in relation to the following areas:

- Demonstrating the attainment of all young people aged 0 -19 (or 25 for those with a learning difficulty / disability);
- Driving forward the attainment of young people in vulnerable groups in order to 'narrow the gap';
- Examining the performance of all schools and colleges in the borough;
- Ensuring there is a prioritised response to schools undergoing Ofsted inspections and those in special categories;
- Improving participation levels of 16 -18 year olds in Education, Employment and Training
- Enhancing lifelong learning provision
- Monitoring Local Authority performance against its statutory duties

PROPOSED WORKING PRACTICES OF THE ATTAINMENT SUB COMMITTEE

| Sub Committee meetings | |
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| Chair | The Chair and Vice-Chair will be appointed at the first meeting of the Sub-Committee in the municipal year |
| Membership | The membership of the Sub-Committee will be politically proportional. (On the current political balance, this translates into 4 Labour; 2 Conservative; 1 Liberal Democrat). In addition, the 4 statutory education co-optees will be members of the Sub-Committee. |
| Deputies | A maximum of 8 Elected Members per political group may be nominated to sit on the Sub-Committee as Deputies. The appointment of Deputies shall take effect upon the Group Leaders of each political group notifying the Head of Legal & Member Services of their deputy nominations. |
| Frequency | To meet a minimum of once per school term (for example, in July, November and March) for the first year and then reviewed |
| Venue | At a Wirral Council venue – probably Wallasey Town Hall |
| Work programme | The Sub-Committee will identify a work programme for the year, to include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Task & Finish Groups • Standing Items • Specific Officer reports / presentations |
| Reporting Requirements | The Sub-Committee will provide a summary report following each meeting to the next available Policy & Performance Committee. The Summary report will identify key issues, concerns and make any necessary recommendations. |
| Communication & Transparency | Meetings will be held in public with agendas being published prior to the meeting and formal minutes being produced. Therefore, support from Committee services will be required |