

Flintshire County Council – Decisions taken by the Education and Youth Overview & Scrutiny Committee on Thursday, 12 April 2018

Agenda Item No	Topic	Decision
Part A – Items considered in public		
A2	Minutes	That the minutes of the above meetings be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
A3	Integrated Youth Services	<p>(a) That the Committee notes the development of the Integrated Youth Provision (IYP) and endorses the delivery model which was informed by the Adverse Childhood Experience (ACE) agenda;</p> <p>(b) That the Committee endorses the increased focus on targeted and preventative e.g. increased focus on substance misuse and sexual health innovations as this offered the earliest support to the most vulnerable young people;</p> <p>(c) That the Committee endorses the increasing focus on delivering within Flintshire’s secondary schools to support the engagement, attendance and wellbeing of the most vulnerable young people, particularly those who were ‘looked after’ children (LAC) and those at risk of becoming ‘Not in Education Employment or Training’ (NEET);</p> <p>(d) That the Committee invite the Youth Council to discuss youth provision issues in the County and provide a report back to the Committee;</p> <p>(e) That the Committee endorse the continued focus on safeguarding and educating young people with regard to online and social media safety; and</p> <p>(f) That the Committee request that the Integrated Youth Service seek to facilitate community initiated projects with advice and support across Flintshire.</p>
A4	Youth Council	(a) That the Committee support the establishment and maintenance of a Flintshire Youth Council to represent all young people in Flintshire in line with the National Participation

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		<p>Standards;</p> <p>(b) That the Committee actively consult with the Youth Council to create guiding principles and to provide feedback to the Youth Council on outcomes of consultations to bridge the gap between Local Government and Flintshire young people by opening the lines of communication, leading to meaningful participation and enabling them to engage as citizens in the “here and now” to influence the future;</p> <p>(c) That the Committee establishes regular opportunities for the Youth Council to meet with them to broker opportunities for assessing and securing the sufficiency of services that affect the lives of young people they represent. This will be especially important when assessing the opportunities for those who are identified as having suffered adverse childhood experiences (ACE’s) which have impacted on their lives;</p> <p>(d) That the Committee ensures that all information is communicated in a format and language appropriate for the cohort offered in language of choice for young people in order for them to give informed opinions and make decisions;</p> <p>(e) That Cabinet be asked to establish a method for consulting with the Youth Council ensuring an appropriate timeframe for them to participate in line with Children and Young People’s Participation Standards;</p> <p>(f) That the Committee ensures that the views of the Youth Council and the young people they represent are embedded in the decision making process by using the wellbeing goals, ensuring participation is offered in a meaningful and accessible way and embedding the guidance of Annex B of the guidance for Public Service Boards. “To promote and facilitate the participation of children and young people in decisions which may affect them”; and</p>

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		(g) That the Youth Council be involved in assessing and securing the sufficiency of services that affect the lives of young people they represent. This will be especially important when assessing the opportunities for those who are identified as having suffered adverse childhood experiences (ACE's) which have impacted on their lives.
A5	Self-Evaluation of Local Government Education Services	(a) That the new Estyn framework for the inspection of education services within Local Authorities in Wales be noted; and (b) That the comments of the Committee in relation to the latest draft self-evaluation report be noted.
A6	Quarter 3 Council Plan 2017/18 Monitoring Report	(a) That the report be noted; and (b) That the Committee notes with concern the risks involved in the report which were associated with Austerity and the low funding of the Council.
A7	Forward Work Programme	(a) That the Forward Work Programme be amended; and (b) That the Facilitator, in consultation with the Chair of the Committee, be authorised to vary the Forward Work Programme between meetings, as the need arises.