

Flintshire County Council – Decisions taken by the Education, Youth & Culture Overview & Scrutiny Committee on Thursday, 23 May 2024

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Part A – Items considered in public

A1	Appointment of Chair	The Facilitator advised that at the Annual Meeting, Council determined that the Labour Group would chair this Committee. The Committee was advised that Councillor Teresa Carberry was the Chair of the Committee for the municipal year.
A2	Appointment of Vice Chair	That Councillor Carolyn Preece be appointed as Vice Chair of the Committee.
A3	Apologies	The Senior Manager (School Improvement)
A4	Declarations of Interest (Including Whipping Declarations)	<p>Councillor Jason Shallcross declared a personal interest in agenda item 11 as a School Governor of St David's High School.</p> <p>Councillor Ryan McKeown declared a personal interest in agenda item 10 as he was an LEA Governor at Broughton Primary School and Community Governor at St David's High School. He had also been given permission to speak by the Monitoring Officer before leaving the room.</p> <p>Councillor Dave Mackie declared a personal interest in agenda item 11 as a school governor at Hawarden High School</p>
A5	Minutes	That the minutes of the meeting held on 21 March 2024 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.
A6	Forward Work Programme and Action Tracking	<p>(a) That the Forward Work Programme be noted;</p> <p>(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; and</p>

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		(c) That the progress made in completing the outstanding actions be noted.
A7	Changes to School Improvement Delivery Models in Wales	<p>(a) That the Committee confirm that it had received sufficient information about the changes initiated by Welsh Government through the middle tier review, the changes to funding mechanisms to regional consortia and the arrangements to local school improvement services in Flintshire for the financial year 2024-25; and</p> <p>(b) That the Committee acknowledge that there was a significant amount of change management to be undertaken to successfully achieve Welsh Government's proposals for a revised school improvement model in the longer term.</p>
A8	Estyn Revised Frameworks for Inspection of Schools and Local Government Education Services	That the Committee confirm that they had received sufficient information about the new inspection arrangements for Estyn's inspections of schools, pupil referral units and local government education services.
A9	School Attendance and Exclusions	That the attendance and exclusion data for Flintshire schools and the actions undertaken by officers to support increased engagement and the safety and wellbeing of children and young people be noted.
A10	Saltney & Broughton School Network Review	<p>(a) That the options available for school modernisation in the Saltney and Broughton area be noted; and</p> <p>(b) That the observations of the Committee for the school modernisation approach for the Saltney and Broughton area be provided to Cabinet prior to Cabinet approval.</p>
A11	Welsh Government's (WG) Sustainable Communities for Learning	(a) That the Committee noted the report; and

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	Rolling Capital Investment Programme and Mutual Investment Model (MIM)	(b) That the observations of the Committee be provided to Cabinet.