

Education, Skills and Early Years City Policy Committee annual assessment noted.

3 There was submitted a report by Councillor Graham Campbell, Chair of this committee regarding an annual assessment of the work of the committee,

- (1) advising that Council Standing Order No 32 (8) required that an annual assessment of the work of each City Policy Committee be carried out each year to assess the effectiveness of the working of the committee and to assess any training needs of members and officers and the effectiveness of the implementation of agreed policies;
- (2) highlighting
 - (a) that the committee's work programme had been agreed on 7th March 2024 (Print 7, page 55) and that all members had been invited to input into the plan;
 - (b) that throughout January to December 2024 the Committee discussed a wide range of reports, listed in an Appendix to the report, and had heard presentations from a range of stakeholders including members of the Directorate, Senior Education Officers, Quality Improvement Officers, Psychological Services, Health and Social Care Partnership colleagues and children and young people;
 - (c) the effectiveness of the committee that had worked constructively on a cross-party basis, demonstrating a wide understanding of the business of the committee in the past 12 months;
 - (d) of engagement events that had been organised for elected members; and
 - (e) that equalities updates were brought to every second meeting of the committee; and
- (3) detailing in the appendices to the report, the reports presented to committee from January to December 2024 and the proposed workplan for 2025.

After consideration, the committee

- (i) noted the Annual Assessment report and the reports that had been submitted to committee during 2024; and
- (ii) discussed and proposed issues/topics for consideration in the workplan for 2025.