

## Finance and Audit Scrutiny Committee

26<sup>th</sup> February 2025

### Enquiries from Elected Members

	Responses to Questions
<b>Item 2</b>	<b>Q&amp;A's</b>
Question 1	<b>Budget Monitoring</b> Cllr O'Lone wanted to know in relation to ASL how many children did Glasgow have that come from other Local Authorities and do other LAs pay towards this.
Answer	<p>In total for 24/25 there were 34 children from other local authorities in ASL provision. Some of the 34 left at the end of 23/24 academic year (June 24) and a few others during other parts of the year (moved to other provision). We currently have 20 pupils remaining in our ASN establishments from OLAs.</p> <p>Other local authorities are charged school fees for these places, as are we for our children in other local authority ASN provision. School fees from OLAs in 24/25 total £844,333.24.</p> <p>Our payments to other authorities for our children in their ASN provision is expected to be approx. £836,000 (this is still an estimate at present as many authorities have still to issue their charges for 24/25)</p>
Question 2	Cllr Vallis wanted more information in relation to Education Services budget pressures over the next 5 years in relation to ASL.
Answer	This is difficult to project as presently we do not do separate projections for ASL as part of our pupil roll projections. However the number of pupils presenting with ASL within our LA has seen a significant increase in line with National figures. The number of pupils attending our co-located provisions has grown over the last few years by 17%. The teaching ratios and SfLW ratios are higher within the ASL sector which results in higher costs with each additional child. Children with ASL are more likely to also require transport which can also result in additional costs.
<b>Item 3</b>	<b>Common Good</b>
Question 3	Cllr Brown referred to the Section 4 budget changes Miscellaneous Charges of £170,000 in particular to food provision and why that wouldn't have been included in hospitality.
Answer	The budget within Miscellaneous Charges is for a small stock of items held within the Lord Provost's pantry to cater for ad hoc hospitality out with formal civic events.

<b>Item 5</b>	<b>Sundry Trusts</b>																																	
Question 4	Cllr Alex Kerr referred to the forecast in relation to Ruffer and asked if it was worthwhile having a 10-year window of what was achieved.																																	
Answer	<p>Ruffer were appointed to manage the Sundry Trust investments in 2014/15, therefore the 10-year window covers from the date of appointment. The results are shown in the table below.</p> <p><b>Ruffer 10 Year Investment Performance</b></p> <table border="1" data-bbox="517 689 1058 1164"> <thead> <tr> <th>Year</th> <th>Financial Year</th> <th>Annual Return</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1</td> <td>2014/15</td> <td>12.82%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2</td> <td>2015/16</td> <td>-3.31%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3</td> <td>2016/17</td> <td>12.51%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4</td> <td>2017/18</td> <td>-1.28%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>5</td> <td>2018/19</td> <td>-0.77%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>6</td> <td>2019/20</td> <td>3.35%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>7</td> <td>2020/21</td> <td>20.81%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>8</td> <td>2021/22</td> <td>7.29%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>9</td> <td>2022/23</td> <td>1.42%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>10</td> <td>2023/24</td> <td>-6.00%</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Year	Financial Year	Annual Return	1	2014/15	12.82%	2	2015/16	-3.31%	3	2016/17	12.51%	4	2017/18	-1.28%	5	2018/19	-0.77%	6	2019/20	3.35%	7	2020/21	20.81%	8	2021/22	7.29%	9	2022/23	1.42%	10	2023/24	-6.00%
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