

EDUCATION, SKILLS AND EARLY YEARS CITY POLICY COMMITTEE'S MINUTES.

Hybrid meeting, 23rd April 2026.

Education, Skills and Early Years City Policy Committee.

Present: Graham Campbell (Chair), Saqib Ahmed, Susan Aitken, Blair Anderson, Stephen Curran, Stephen Dornan, Zen Ghani, Fyeza Ikhlaq, Lilith Johnstone, Christy Mearns, Malcolm Mitchell, Robert Mooney (substitute for Ann Jenkins) and Soryia Siddique (substitute for Jill Brown).

Also Present: Christina Cannon, Stephen Docherty and Frank McAveety.

Apologies: Jill Brown and Ann Jenkins.

Attending: E Paton (Clerk), J McGhee, Executive Director of Education Services and Hon. Dr Stuart Lawrence and Mr Ade Johnston (National African & Black Association).

Committee Annual Assessment Year 3 - Results of independent assessment noted – Reference to Operational Performance and Delivery Scrutiny Committee.

1 There was submitted a report by the Divisional Director, Roads and Transportation, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the year 3 annual assessment of the work of this committee and effectiveness, advising

- (1) that Council Standing Order No 31 required that an annual assessment of the work of each City Policy Committee shall be carried out to assess the effectiveness of the working of the committee and to assess any training needs of members and officers, with the assessment being carried out by the Convener in years 1 and 2 and an independent assessment being carried out in year 3 and every 3rd year thereafter;
- (2) of the main findings from the independent assessment of this committee undertaken by the Divisional Director, Roads and Transportation, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability;
- (3) that as part of the review, the Chair, Councillor Graham Campbell and the Vice Chair, Councillor Blair Anderson were interviewed, as were the Lead Officers, Jean Miller, Sharon McGeever and Carolyn Daveren, Education Services and a number of committee meetings were also viewed either in person or through viewing the recordings; and
- (4) of the effectiveness of the operation of the committee, highlighting various issues and detailing an action plan.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) noted the report and action plan as detailed in the report; and
- (b) agreed to refer the report to the Operational Performance and Delivery Scrutiny Committee.