

## **Glasgow City Region Education Improvement Collaborative Improvement Plan 2021/22 endorsed etc.**

**5** With reference to the minutes of the Glasgow City Region (GCR) Education Committee of 24th August 2021 when that committee had endorsed the West Partnership's draft Education Improvement Collaborative Plan 2021/22 and had agreed to submit the plan to this Cabinet for consideration, there was submitted a report by the Regional Lead Officer, regarding the plan, advising that

- (1) since its establishment in 2017, the West Partnership had drawn together the 8 high performing partner authorities of the City Region and it was clear that there was a close working relationship across the individual authorities with very strong and increasing collaborative working at all levels, which supported a collective drive towards ongoing improvement in outcomes for all of the region's children and young people;
- (2) the latest plan, for 2021/22, attached as an appendix to the report, continued to set out the vision for equity, excellence and empowerment across all 8 partner authorities whilst recognising the unprecedented challenges that had resulted from COVID-19 and outlining the West Partnership's clear commitment to supporting recovery; and
- (3) over the past year in particular, a number of programmes and activities had been designed to address the challenges faced by schools and educational settings across the West Partnership, including introducing a range of leadership opportunities, tracking learners' wellbeing, extending curricular networks for teachers to help implement the Scottish Qualifications Authority Alternative Certification Model, as well as developing a significant contribution to the national digital learning offer through West Online School.

After consideration and having heard a presentation by Tony McDaid, Regional Lead Officer, the Cabinet

- (a) endorsed the Improvement Plan for 2021/22; and
- (b) noted that the Improvement Plan 2021/22 had been endorsed by the GCR Education Committee on 24th August 2021, and that members of the committee would seek approval of the plan from their individual local authorities in order to maintain local democratic oversight.