

MAJOR REVIEW – ACCESS TO EDUCATION FOR HILLINDON’S VULNERABLE CHILDREN – WITNESS SESSION 1

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REASON FOR ITEM

To enable the Committee to gather evidence as part of their Major Review in relation to access to education for vulnerable children in the Borough.

OPTIONS AVAILABLE TO THE COMMITTEE

1. Question the witnesses
2. Highlight issues for further investigation
3. To make a note of possible recommendations for the review

INFORMATION

At this Committee’s last meeting of 16 January 2013 Members gave consideration to a draft scoping report for their second major review into Access to Education for Hillingdon’s Vulnerable Children.

For this **first witness session** Members will hear evidence from:

A policy representative from the Department for Education (*to be confirmed*)

Interim Chief Education Officer

Service Manager for Behaviour, Attendance and SEN

Performance and Intelligence Manager

Possible Lines of Enquiry / questions

What is the impact on vulnerable children and young people who are admitted to education outside of the normal admissions process?

What is the impact on vulnerable children who are placed at Brookfield Adult Learning Centre whilst awaiting a school place?

What can be done to prevent and monitor the off-rolling of children from secondary schools/Academies in the Borough?

What are the expected educational achievements of those vulnerable children who have been admitted to education outside of the normal admissions process?

Information and advice

PAPERS WITH THE REPORT

Scoping report attached as Appendix A.

SUGGESTED COMMITTEE ACTIVITY

- (1) Members are asked to question the witnesses to enable them to gather evidence as part of the review.
- (2) To update the scoping report (if necessary) as a result of information gathered during the witness session and to identify any areas or other lines of enquiry which will be required to help Members in their review.