

COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

28 JUNE 2022

RECOMMENDATIONS MONITORING REPORT

Recommendation(s) Including Date of Meeting and Minute Number	Actions Taken and Outcome	Completed, follow-up work required or added to Work Programme
<p>Date of meeting: 21 March 2022 Minute: 53</p> <p>That Cabinet agrees to:-</p> <p>(1) Send a letter of support to the Secretary of State for Education for the introduction of the following powers/measure to safeguard the position of those de-registering from mainstream schools and opting for Elective Home Education (EHE) namely:-</p> <p>(a) That the details of the proposed Elective Home Education should be documented and submitted to the Upper Tier Local Authority in advance of the child being de-registered.</p> <p>(b) That a backstop right of access for the Upper Tier Local Authority be provided to the</p>	<p>At the Cabinet meeting on 17 June 2022.</p> <p>The Cabinet had before it the responses of the Portfolio Holder thereto as follows:-</p> <p><i>“With reference to the enquiry into Children Missing Education, I fully support the recommendations of the Committee and I will action the following:-</i></p> <p><i>a) Writing to ECC giving the Cabinet’s support to strengthening home education.</i></p> <p><i>b) Writing to the Secretary of State for Education outlining support for the powers/measures as indicated above, as well as giving support to the Essex County Council Cross-Party Response to the House of Commons’ Education Committee Report entitled “Strengthening Home Education” (published 26 July 2021).</i></p>	

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<p>home and to the child where Elective Home Education is provided with a view to confirming the position.</p> <p>(c) That Academies be urged to provide access on their sites in a locality for those being home schooled to undertake examinations close to home.</p> <p>(d) That parents of children being home schooled be required to provide regular updates to the Upper Tier Local Authority on the progress of the children being home schooled.</p> <p>(2) That an email be sent to all Tendring District Councillors, prepared by Essex County Council, to explain the position on those missing from mainstream education and the routes for reporting concerns about those children (which, if recommendation (1) above is also approved) could be accompanied by the letter to the Secretary of State as referred to in that recommendation.</p>	<p><i>In summary the cross party response further outlines the urgent need for a number of additional safeguarding measures for Upper Tier local authorities together with the financial support per pupil to set standards to ensure consistency regarding regular monitoring, communication and assessment of the suitability of home education.”</i></p> <p>Having considered the recommendations of the Community Leadership Overview & Scrutiny Committee, together with the response of the Portfolio Holder thereto:-</p> <p>The recommendations were noted and that the response of the Portfolio Holder thereto approved.</p>	
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<p>Date of meeting: 9 May 2022 Minute: 5</p> <p><u>FREEPORT EAST</u></p> <p>That Cabinet :-</p> <p>(1) Endorses the approach of the Council, in wholeheartedly welcoming, supporting and embracing the Freeport East proposal, as something that has the potential to radically transform in a good way the Town of Harwich, the wider District of Tendring and beyond;</p> <p>(2) Recognises that the jobs and skills commitments in the Full Business Case for Freeport East should be kept to the fore by this Council and that the development of the first careers hub be implemented as swiftly as possible;</p> <p>(3) Recognises furthermore that the urgent need to enhance the A120 from its junction with the A133 at Great Bromley to Harwich is</p>	<p>At the Cabinet meeting on 17 June 2022.</p> <p>The Cabinet had before it the responses of the Leader thereto as follows:-</p> <p><i>“I welcome the report from the Committee and agree that Freeport East has the potential to radically transform in a good way the Town of Harwich, the wider District of Tendring and beyond. Jobs, skills and transport are key benefits the Council wants to see come forward as a result, including investment in the A133 / A120 junction, and I recognise that these benefits, if the Freeport is successful, have the potential to reach all corners of the District.”</i></p> <p>Having considered the recommendations of the Community Leadership Overview & Scrutiny Committee, together with the response of the Leader thereto:-</p> <p>The recommendations were endorsed and that the response of the Leader of the Council thereto was approved</p>	
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<p>something that could delay or prevent the full potential of Freeport East being realised if commitments were not given to achieve those enhancements in the immediate forthcoming period; and</p> <p>(4) Agrees that there is a need to ensure that pro-active steps are taken to offer solutions to any issues that arise in achieving any advantage across all parts of the District in developing supply chains, business-to-business links, skills development, supportive public investment and jobs creation associated with the Freeport East.</p>		
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