

Key Decision Required	No	In the Forward Plan	No
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CABINET

14 JULY 2017

REFERENCE REPORT FROM THE COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP AND PARTNERSHIPS COMMITTEE

A.2 EDUCATION UPDATE – CAREERS ADVICE

(Report prepared by Karen Neath and Katie Sullivan)

BACKGROUND

At the meeting of the Community Leadership and Partnerships Committee on 22 May 2017, Essex County Council's Employability and Skills Manager (Tracy Eve) was in attendance and gave the Committee a presentation on Careers Education and Information, Advice and Guidance in Schools. The presentation covered the following:-

- Statutory duty on Schools;
- Quality in careers standard;
- Tending Schools;
- Careers Advisors;
- Activity survey for year 11 leavers in Essex and Tending 2014-2016;
- Other employment and skills board activities to support CEIAG; and
- Other activities.

As part of the discussion, reference was made to the House of Commons Sub-Committee on Education, Skills and the Economy and their report on Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS AND COMMENTS TO CABINET

It was **RECOMMENDED to CABINET** that:

A letter be sent to the local MPs after 8 June 2017, to support the findings and recommendations of the House of Commons Sub-Committee on Education, Skills and the Economy contained in their report on Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance. In particular, that the recommendation that Ofsted have a greater role in assessing careers advice in schools be supported.

(An extract from the House of Commons Sub-Committee report referred to in the above recommendation is attached as Appendix A).

PORTFOLIO HOLDER'S COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS TO CABINET

It is **RECOMMENDED** that:-

A letter be sent to the local MPs after 8 June 2017, to support the findings and recommendations of the House of Commons Sub-Committee on Education, Skills and the Economy contained in their report on Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance and to seek the implementation of actions to deliver these. In particular, that the recommendation that Ofsted have a greater role in assessing careers advice in schools be supported.