DECISION-MAKER:	CHILDREN AND FAMILIES SCRUTINY PANEL
SUBJECT:	FURTHER EDUCATION IN SOUTHAMPTON
DATE OF DECISION:	25 JANUARY 2024
REPORT OF:	SCRUTINY MANAGER

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## STATEMENT OF CONFIDENTIALITY

None

### **BRIEF SUMMARY**

Following consideration of educational attainment in Southampton at the 28 September 2023 meeting, the Scrutiny Panel requested that a discussion on the city's further education provision and performance was scheduled for a subsequent meeting of the Panel in 2023/24.

To provide context to the discussion, attached as Appendix 1 is a briefing paper prepared by Itchen College, City College and Richard Taunton's College. Representatives from the Post 16 education providers in the city, and senior managers within the Council's Education and Learning Service, have been invited to attend the meeting to present the report and to answer questions from the Panel.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

(i) That the Panel consider the information attached as Appendix 1, and the information presented to the Panel at the 28 September 2023 meeting relating to educational attainment, and discuss the issue of further education provision and performance in Southampton with representatives from Post 16 providers in the city, the Cabinet Member for Children and Learning, and invited officers.

# REASONS FOR REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS

1. To enable a discussion with providers, the Cabinet Member and officers on further education in Southampton.

## ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

2. None.

## **DETAIL (Including consultation carried out)**

3. At the 28 September 2023 meeting, the Children and Families Scrutiny Panel, when considering the issue of educational attainment in the city,

	discussed the provisional A Level results for Southampton Colleges and 6 <sup>th</sup> Forms:  2023 A-Level Results Day Headline Outcomes – Southampton Local Authority					
4.	A separate appendix to the report presented to the Children and Families Scrutiny Panel at the September 2023 meeting, identified the top 10 establishments attended by the year 11 leavers who continued in education from all Southampton Secondary Schools. An updated version of the table, with figures as at 11 January 2024, is provided below:					
	Establishment Attended	Total				
	Barton Peveril College	527				
	Southampton City College	403				
	Itchen Sixth Form College	387				
	Richard Taunton Sixth Form College	190				
	Eastleigh College	163				
	Peter Symonds College	126				
	St Anne's Sixth Form	63				
	Bitterne Park Sixth Form	48				
	Sparsholt College	30				
	Totton College	30				
5.	To provide context to the information outlined above, Itchen College, City College and Richard Taunton's College have developed a briefing paper on the issue of further education provision in Southampton. This is attached as Appendix 1.					
6.	Representatives from the providers of Post 16 education in Southampton will be in attendance to present the briefing paper. They will be accompanied by the Divisional Head of Education and Learning, the Service Manager for Education Strategy, Planning and Improvement and the Cabinet Member for Children and Learning. The Panel are requested to use the information provided to discuss the issue of further education in Southampton with the invited attendees.					
RESO	URCE IMPLICATIONS					
	I/Revenue/Property/Other					
7.	None					

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

**Statutory power to undertake proposals in the report:** 

8.	The duty to undertake overview and scrutiny is set out in Part 1A Section 9 of the Local Government Act 2000.							
Other Legal Implications:								
9.	None							
RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS								
10.	None							
POLICY FRAMEWORK IMPLICATIONS								
11.	N/A							
KEY DE	CISION? No							
WARDS	COMMUNITIES AFFECTED:	None						
	SUPPORTING I	<u>DOCUMENTATION</u>						
Append	lices							
1.	Briefing paper – Further education	n provision in Southampton						
Docum	ents In Members' Rooms							
1.	None							
Equality	y Impact Assessment							
Do the implications/subject of the report require an Equality and Safety Impact Assessment (ESIA) to be carried out?								
Data Pr	otection Impact Assessment							
	Do the implications/subject of the report require a Data Protection Impact No Assessment (DPIA) to be carried out?							
Other Background Documents								
Other Background documents available for inspection at:								
Title of	Background Paper(s)	Relevant Paragraph of the Information Procedure Ruschedule 12A allowing do be Exempt/Confidential (i	ules / ocument to					
1.	2023 A-Level Results Day Head Authority	Iline Outcomes – Southampto	n Local					