

S46. Scrutiny Plan 2020

The committee considered a report by the Director of Corporate and Housing Services outlining the arrangements for establishing scrutiny panels in 2020.

Council had agreed on 4 December 2019 that the Scrutiny Plan for 2020 will contain two areas for review. The first panel would examine the Pupil Equity Fund and its outcomes in closing the attainment gap. This panel was expected to begin in January and complete its work by June.

The committee was invited to establish a scrutiny panel to undertake the review of the Pupil Equity Fund. In terms of Standing Orders a panel could be made up of up to 5 members. The committee agreed that the panel should comprise 3 members – one from each of the main political groups.

Members of the Conservative group confirmed that their group had appointed Councillor Flynn to the panel. Nominations for the remaining places would be sought by the clerk from the group leaders.

Council had agreed, when setting its diary for meetings in 2020, to reserve Thursday afternoon for meetings of Scrutiny and Performance Development Panels. Where possible the scrutiny panel would meet on Thursday afternoons.

Decision

The Scrutiny Committee:-

- (1) noted the Scrutiny Plan for 2020;**
- (2) formed a 3 member scrutiny panel, with a member from each of the main political groups to undertake the review of the Pupil Equity Fund; (PEF), and**
- (3) noted that Group Leaders would confirm their respective appointments to the panel.**