

DECISION-MAKER:	CHILDREN AND FAMILIES SCRUTINY PANEL
SUBJECT:	POST 16 PROVISION, PARTICIPATION, NEET AND UNKNOWN
DATE OF DECISION:	29 SEPTEMBER 2022
REPORT OF:	DIRECTOR – LEGAL AND BUSINESS SERVICES

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STATEMENT OF CONFIDENTIALITY	
None	
BRIEF SUMMARY	
At the meeting the Panel will be considering issues related to Post 16 education, skills and training in Southampton. Attached as Appendix 1 is a summary of Post 16 participation, including those who are NEET (not in education, employment or training) and unknown. At the meeting the Service Manager will update the Panel on developments with regards to Post 16 provision in Southampton.	
RECOMMENDATIONS:	
	(i) That the Panel consider the information provided in the appendix and discuss the challenges raised with regards to Post-16 provision and participation in Southampton with the Cabinet Member and invited officers.
REASONS FOR REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS	
1.	To enable a discussion with the Cabinet Member and officers on Post 16 provision and participation in Southampton.
ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED	
2.	None.
DETAIL (Including consultation carried out)	
3.	Attached as Appendix 1 is a briefing paper outlining the position in Southampton with regards to Post-16 participation in the city and the work being undertaken to encourage, enable and assist young people to participate in education or training.
4.	At the meeting the Service Manager for Education Strategy, Planning & Improvement will update the Panel on developments relating to Post 16 provision in the city. This follows a review commissioned by the DfE Post-16 commissioner designed to identify solutions to the challenges experienced in

	Southampton. To provide context, the briefing paper published for the Children and Families Scrutiny Panel meeting on 30 September 2021 in relation to this review can be accessed via the following link: Appendix 1 - Post 16 Education.docx.pdf (southampton.gov.uk) .
5.	The Panel are recommended to consider and discuss the information provided in the attached appendix, and the information presented to the Panel relating to Post 16 provision, with the Cabinet Member for Children and Learning and invited officers.
RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS	
<u>Capital/Revenue/Property/Other</u>	
6.	None
LEGAL IMPLICATIONS	
<u>Statutory power to undertake proposals in the report:</u>	
7.	The duty to undertake overview and scrutiny is set out in Part 1A Section 9 of the Local Government Act 2000.
<u>Other Legal Implications:</u>	
8.	Local Authority statutory duties relating to Post-16 participation and provision is outlined in Appendix 1.
RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS	
9.	Action to increase Post-16 participation is outlined in Appendix 1.
POLICY FRAMEWORK IMPLICATIONS	
10.	A priority within the 2021-2025 Corporate Plan is to improve the quality of learning opportunities including a viable post-16 provision in the city that meets the needs of learners.

KEY DECISION?	No
WARDS/COMMUNITIES AFFECTED:	None
<u>SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION</u>	
Appendices	
1.	Briefing paper – Post 16 Participation, NEET and Unknown

Documents In Members' Rooms

1.	None
Equality Impact Assessment	
Do the implications/subject of the report require an Equality and Safety Impact Assessment (ESIA) to be carried out?	No
Data Protection Impact Assessment	
Do the implications/subject of the report require a Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA) to be carried out?	No
Other Background Documents	
Other Background documents available for inspection at:	

Title of Background Paper(s)	Relevant Paragraph of the Access to Information Procedure Rules / Schedule 12A allowing document to be Exempt/Confidential (if applicable)
1.	Post 16 Provision, Participation and NEET report to 30 September 2021 meeting of the Children & Families Scrutiny Panel (Item 20): https://www.southampton.gov.uk/modernGov/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=600&MId=6658&Ver=4