

## Education Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Meeting to be held on: **9 JANUARY 2020 AT 6.00 PM**

Your attendance is requested at the above meeting, which will be held at the Council House, Lichfield Street, Walsall, WS1 1TW. A list of the items of business to be considered, together with any supporting papers, is enclosed. Please bring the papers with you to the meeting.

### **MEMBERSHIP**

Chair	Councillor Lee Jeavons
Vice-Chair	Councillor Sarah Jane Cooper
	Councillor Gazanfer Ali
	Councillor Daniel Barker
	Councillor Rose Burley
	Councillor Brian Douglas-Maul
	Councillor Sat Johal
	Councillor Pard Kaur
	Councillor Farhana Mazhar
	Councillor Saiqa Nasreen
	Councillor Lorna Rattigan

### **NON-ELECTED VOTING MEMBERS**

Lichfield Diocesan Representative	Vacancy
Archbishop of Birmingham's Representative	Mrs Philomena Mullins
Parent Governors	Mrs Heena Pathan
	Vacancy
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### **NON-ELECTED NON-VOTING MEMBERS**

Primary Teacher Representative	Ms Sharon Guy
Secondary Teacher Representative	Ms Wendy Duffus

**PORTFOLIO HOLDER** For Education & Skills Councillor Chris Towe

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## **AGENDA**

<b>1</b>	<b>Apologies</b> To receive apologies for absence from Members of the Committee.	
<b>2</b>	<b>Substitutions</b> To receive notice of any substitutions for a Member of the Committee for the duration of the meeting.	
<b>3</b>	<b>Declarations of interest and party whip</b> To receive declarations of interest or the Party Whip from Members in respect of items on the agenda.	
<b>4</b>	<b>Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 (as amended)</b> To agree that the public be excluded from the private session during consideration of the agenda items indicated for the reasons shown on the agenda (if applicable).	
<b>5</b>	<b>Minutes</b> To approve and sign the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee that was held on 19 November 2019.	Enclosed
<b><u>Scrutiny</u></b>		
<b>6</b>	<b>Schools Funding</b> To receive and consider a report on the financial system that schools and the Local Authority operate within in relation to education funding.	Enclosed
<b>7</b>	<b>School and pupil place planning</b> To receive and consider a report on school and pupil place planning in Walsall.	Enclosed
<b>8</b>	<b>Update on the SEND Local Area Improvement Programme and on EHCPs</b> To receive and consider an update report on the progress being made in relation to the local area improvement programme, Written Statement of Action and the improvements made in the processing of Education, Health and Care Plans.	Enclosed
<b>9</b>	<b>Work Programme 2019/20</b> To receive and review the Committee's work programme for the 2019/20 municipal year.	Enclosed
<b><u>Overview</u></b>		
<b>10</b>	<b>Forward plans</b> To receive the Forward Plan of Key Decisions from the Cabinet and the Black Country Executive Joint Committee, to identify any further matters that Members feel may benefit from scrutiny.	Enclosed
<b>11</b>	<b>Date of next meeting</b> To note that the date of the next meeting of the Committee will be Thursday, 13 February 2020.	

## The Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012

### Specified pecuniary interests

The pecuniary interests that are specified for the purposes of Chapter 7 of Part 1 of the Localism Act 2011 are the interests specified in the second column of the following:

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Prescribed description</b>
Employment, office, trade, profession or vocation	Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain.
Sponsorship	<p>Any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from the relevant authority) made or provided within the relevant period in respect of any expenses incurred by a member in carrying out duties as a member, or towards the election expenses of a member.</p> <p>This includes any payment or financial benefit from a trade union within the meaning of the Trade Union and Labour Regulations (Consolidation) Act 1992.</p>
Contracts	<p>Any contract which is made between the relevant person (or a body in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest) and the relevant authority:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) under which goods or services are to be provided or works are to be executed; and</li> <li>(b) which has not been fully discharged.</li> </ul>
Land	Any beneficial interest in land which is within the area of the relevant authority.
Licences	Any licence (alone or jointly with others) to occupy land in the area of the relevant authority for a month or longer.
Corporate tenancies	<p>Any tenancy where (to a member's knowledge):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) the landlord is the relevant authority;</li> <li>(b) the tenant is a body in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest.</li> </ul>
Securities	<p>Any beneficial interest in securities of a body where:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) that body (to a member's knowledge) has a place of business or land in the area of the relevant authority; and</li> <li>(b) either: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body; or</li> <li>(ii) if the share capital of that body is more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

## **Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended)**

### **Access to information: Exempt information**

#### **Part 1**

#### **Descriptions of exempt information: England**

1. Information relating to any individual.
2. Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual.
3. Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).
4. Information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matter arising between the authority or a Minister of the Crown and employees of, or office holders under, the authority.
5. Information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings.
6. Information which reveals that the authority proposes:
  - (a) to give any enactment a notice under or by virtue of which requirements are imposed on a person; or
  - (b) to make an order or direction under any enactment.
7. Information relating to any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime.
8. Information being disclosed during a meeting of a Scrutiny and Performance Panel when considering flood risk management functions which:
  - (a) Constitutes a trades secret;
  - (b) Its disclosure would, or would be likely to, prejudice the commercial interests of any person (including the risk management authority);
  - (c) It was obtained by a risk management authority from any other person and its disclosure to the public by the risk management authority would constitute a breach of confidence actionable by that other person.