

## QUAD OF AIMS (MEMBERS' REQUEST FOR ITEM TO BE CONSIDERED BY SCRUTINY)

### REVIEW GROUP TO EXAMINE THE VULNERABLE PUPIL PANEL

**NOTE** – This document should only be completed if there is a clearly defined and significant outcome from any potential further work. This document should **not** be completed as a request for or understanding of information.

REASON FOR REQUEST?	RESOURCE (WHAT OFFICER SUPPORT WOULD YOU REQUIRE?)
<p>To look specifically at the mechanics of the vulnerable pupil panel and to learn about the process and what the scale of the attendance challenge is.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Democratic Officer.</li> <li>• Tony Murphy, Assistant Director Education and Inclusion</li> <li>• Calvin Kipling, Virtual School Head</li> <li>• A representative of the professionals who sit on the panel</li> </ul>
PROCESS (HOW CAN SCRUTINY ACHIEVE THE ANTICIPATED OUTCOME?)	HOW WILL THE OUTCOME MAKE A DIFFERENCE?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To identify which organisations are represented on the Panel</li> <li>• To identify the role of the local authority in getting children and young people back into education</li> <li>• Examine how decision-making takes place and how the voices of the child and family are heard</li> <li>• Examine the number of cases referred in the past year, the broad theme and the outcomes of referrals, issues arising.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To highlighted the importance of the work of the vulnerable pupil panel as the gatekeeper for educational placements.</li> <li>• To widen Councillor visibility of the existing Partnership engagements which tackle the issue of vulnerable children and to understand the Council's contribution to this.</li> </ul>

Signed Councillor .....Cyndi Hughes.....

Date .....February 2022.....

**SECTION 2 TO BE COMPLETED BY DIRECTORS/ASSISTANT DIRECTORS**  
**(NOTE – There is an expectation that Officers will discuss the request with the Member)**

	<b>Criteria</b>
<p>1. (a) Is the information available elsewhere?                      If yes, please indicate where the information can be found (attach if possible and return with this document to Democratic Services)                       Attendance data during Covid is published by DfE at the following address   <a href="https://explore-education-statistics.service.gov.uk/find-statistics/attendance-in-education-and-early-years-settings-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak">https://explore-education-statistics.service.gov.uk/find-statistics/attendance-in-education-and-early-years-settings-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak</a></p> <p>b) Have you already provided the information to the Member or will you shortly be doing so?                       We can provide a briefing report on the VPP for members</p>	<p>1. Information already provided/or will be provided to Member</p> <p>2. Extent of workload involved in meeting request</p> <p>3. Request linked to an ongoing Scrutiny Committee item of work and can be picked up as part of that work</p> <p>4. Subject to another Council process for enquiry or examination (such as Planning Committee or Licensing Committee)</p>
<p>2. If the request is included in the Scrutiny Committee work programme what are the likely workload implications for you/your staff?   <b>This can be accommodated into existing workload planning</b></p>	<p>5. About an individual or entity that has a right of appeal</p>
<p>3. Can the request be included in an ongoing Scrutiny Committee item of work and picked up as part of that?                       Yes</p>	<p>6. Some other substantial reason</p>
<p>4. Is there another Council process for enquiry or examination about the matter currently underway?                       The council is currently working with the Children’s Commissioner’s office on a national attendance audit. 10 LAs are involved in this process.</p>	
<p>5. Has the individual or entity some other right of appeal?                       6. N/A</p>	

7. Is there any substantial reason (other than the above) why you feel it should not be included on the work programme? N/A



**Signed**

**Tony Murphy**

**Position: Assistant Director, Education & Inclusion**

**Date: 9 February 2022**