

Report of the Children's Services Overview & Scrutiny Committee to be held on Wednesday 24 January 2024

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Draft Elective Home Education Scrutiny Review Report

Summary statement:

The attached draft report contains the findings from the Elective Home Education Scrutiny Review.

EQUALITY & DIVERSITY:

This scrutiny review seeks to be inclusive and responsive to people and communities who are educating their children at home.

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1. SUMMARY

1.1 The attached draft report contains the findings from the Elective Home Education Scrutiny Review.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee agreed to undertake a scrutiny review relating to Elective Home Education.
- 2.3 The completion of this scrutiny review has been delayed due to the COVID19 Pandemic and then subsequent membership changes to the Children's Services Overview & Scrutiny Committee.
- 2.4 During the course of the information gathering sessions for this scrutiny review, the Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee engaged widely with, parents who were educating their children at home, parents' groups, an education charity and officers from Bradford Council.

3. FINANCIAL & RESOURCE APPRAISAL

3.1 There were none arising from this Scrutiny Review.

4. RISK MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES

There were none arising from this Scrutiny Review.

5. LEGAL APPRAISAL

There were none arising from this Scrutiny Review.

6. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

6.1 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

There were none arising from this Scrutiny Review.

6.2 TACKLING THE CLIMATE EMERGENCY IMPLICATIONS

There were none arising from this Scrutiny Review.

6.3 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

There were none arising from this Scrutiny Review.

6.4 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

There were none arising from this Scrutiny Review.

6.5 TRADE UNION

There were none arising from this Scrutiny Review.

6.6 WARD IMPLICATIONS

This Scrutiny Review focuses on children and Young People being educated at home, across the Districts wards.

6.7 AREA COMMITTEE LOCALITY PLAN IMPLICATIONS

There were none arising from this Scrutiny Review.

6.8 IMPLICATIONS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

This Scrutiny Review focuses on children and Young People being educated at home, across the District.

6.9 ISSUES ARISING FROM PRIVACY IMPACT ASSESMENT

There were none arising from this Scrutiny Review.

7. NOT FOR PUBLICATION DOCUMENTS

None

8. OPTIONS

- 8.1 In considering how to progress this issue the Committee may wish to:
 - adopt or amend the findings contained within the draft report.
 - forward their recommendations to the Executive, Council and / or other appropriate bodies.

9. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

9.1 That the Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee adopts the findings contained within the Draft Elective Home Education Scrutiny Review Report.

10. APPENDICES

Appendix 1 – Draft Elective Home Education Scrutiny Review Report.

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