

**OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMISSION
5 NOVEMBER 2019
7.30 - 8.30 PM**



Present:

Councillors Angell (Chairman), Mrs Birch, Brossard, Gbadebo, Mrs McKenzie-Boyle, McLean, Mrs Mattick, Mossom, Porter and Tullett

Apologies for absence were received from:

Councillors Virgo and Temperton

Also Present:

Kevin Gibbs, Statutory Scrutiny Officer
Ann Moore, Head of Democratic and Registration Services
Mark Glanville, Parent Governor Representative
Tracey Wright, Parent Governor Representative

Welcome to Parent Governor Representatives

The Chairman welcomed Mark Glanville and Tracey Wright, the new Parent Governor Representatives, to the Commission meeting.

19. Minutes

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Commission held on 19 September 2019 be approved as a correct record, and signed by the Chairman.

20. Declarations of Interest and Party Whip

None were declared.

There were no indications that members would be participating while under the party whip.

21. Urgent Items of Business

There were no items of urgent business.

22. Overview and Scrutiny Arrangements 2019 - 2023

The Statutory Scrutiny Officer introduced the report regarding the formal agreement of the implementation of revised arrangements for the discharge of the overview & scrutiny function. The Overview & Scrutiny Commission discussed the proposed changes and arising from the discussion:

- Executive Members would be asked to attend meetings only when relevant.
- It was clarified that Executive Members would be held to account in public, including the Leader, through the work of the Overview & Scrutiny Commission. They would be invited to attend meetings considering the Corporate Performance Overview Report to respond to questions on their portfolios. In addition it may be relevant for Panels to seek information from Executive Members as part of their work programme.

- All non-Executive members would be invited to participate in review activity
- Tracey Wright and Mark Glanville should be included in the core membership of the Education, Skills & Growth Overview & Scrutiny Panel

It was **RESOLVED** that:

- i) the following Overview & Scrutiny Panels were disestablished:
 - Adult Social Care, Health & Housing
 - Children, Young People & Learning
 - Environment, Culture & Communities
- ii) the scrutiny arrangements be agreed as set out in paragraph 6 of the agenda report including the establishment and core membership of the following Overview & Scrutiny Panels:
 - Wellbeing & Finance
 - Education, Skills & Growth
 - Environment & Communities
- iii) the appointment of Tracey Wright and Mark Glanville as the two Parent Governor Representatives on the Commission is recommended to Council on 27 November
- iv) that Tracey Wright and Mark Glanville be included in the core membership of the Education, Skills & Growth Overview & Scrutiny Panel
- v) a report be submitted to Council reporting the changes to the overview & scrutiny function as required by the Constitution and to recommend to Council changes to the Constitution as set out in Appendices E, F and G of the agenda report, as a result of the changes.

23. **Overview & Scrutiny Work Programme 2019 - 2023**

The Statutory Scrutiny Officer introduced the report regarding the work programme for the next four years. Arising from the discussion:

- Overview and Scrutiny Panel Chairman had worked with officers to develop the proposal for consideration
- the programme would be reviewed twice a year to make sure it was still relevant
- there would be opportunity to respond to emerging issues
- reviews should continue to be focussed to ensure timely completion
- the first Strategic Health issue would be led by Councillor Tullet
- the Commission was undertaking budget scrutiny earlier than in previous years

It was **RESOLVED** that:

- i) the Commission agreed the work programme for the next four years as set out in Appendix C of the agenda report;
- ii) the Commission agreed its own work programme as set out in Appendix D of the agenda report noting that there will be regular items for consideration which were not included in the work programme; and
- iii) the dates for Commission meetings be agreed as set out in paragraph 5.11 of the agenda report.

CHAIRMAN