

REPORT OF THE
Cabinet/Leader
PART II

1. COMMISSION OF INQUIRY

- 1.1. On 5 February 2018 Cabinet agreed to establish a commission of inquiry, involving a range of commissioners with different areas of interest and knowledge but also with a connection to Hampshire, to help develop a Vision for Hampshire 2050: Economically Prosperous -Environmentally Sustained.
- 1.2. The purpose of the Commission is:
“to consider submitted evidence, to deliberate upon key issues and to make recommendations on a Vision for Hampshire 2050 which will guide and contribute to the future prosperity, quality of life, and protection and enhancement of the character and environment of Hampshire”.
- 1.3. The work would help inform and shape the County Council and its partners longer term policies on the future development of the economy, the protection and enhancement of Hampshire’s environment, as well as wider planning and delivery of public services. Crucially, this work would link with an emerging Government agenda on Local Industrial Strategies, which were seen as setting a longer term vision for local areas, looking beyond traditional economic considerations and providing a framework for future planning and resourcing.
- 1.4. There would be a strong link to the recently published 25 Year Environment Plan ‘A Green Future: our 25 Year Plan to Improve the Environment’; and would link to the current Government focus on housing and infrastructure to inform any potential economic deals for the county.

2. ATTAINMENT OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE IN HAMPSHIRE SCHOOLS

- 2.1. On 5 February 2018 Cabinet received a summary and analysis of the performance of Hampshire schools in 2017 at key points in children’s education: the end of the Foundation Stage, the end of Key Stage 2 (the end of primary education) and at the end of Key Stage 4 (the end of secondary education).
- 2.2. Members were advised that overall, pupils’ attainment compared favourably with that nationally and with our group of “statistical neighbour” local authorities. The very strong performance seen last year at Key Stage 2, despite the changes to more challenging standards in 2016, had been secured in 2017 meaning that Hampshire’s primary schools were now performing extremely well.

- 2.3. Cabinet were advised that this year, there have been changes to GCSE English and mathematics content and the way in which the pupils are tested and graded. Despite these changes, schools' attainment at Key Stage 4 compared favourably with that nationally across these three measures.
- 2.4. In agreeing the report, Cabinet noted the positive attainment outcomes being achieved by Hampshire's schools.

3. STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP FOR HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL TO DELIVER CHILDREN'S SERVICES FOR THE ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCIL

- 3.1. On 5 February 2018 Cabinet considered and approved a report on the strategic partnership for Hampshire County Council to deliver children's services for the Isle of Wight Council.
- 3.2. In agreeing the report, Cabinet were made aware that the partnership has since brought demonstrable improvements for Isle of Wight children both in terms of education and children's social care and has also benefited Hampshire County Council staff through broadening their range of experience.

4. ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH

- 4.1. On 11 December 2017 Cabinet agreed the annual report of the Director of Public Health which focussed on Ageing Well in Hampshire and was the third in a series of reports examining the themes of the Hampshire Health and Wellbeing Strategy. Previous reports had looked at 'Starting Well' and 'Living Well'.
- 4.2. The report which detailed specific issues for the health of older people where preventive action could be taken were set out and welcomed by Members who noted the impact on quality of life and that issues, such as social isolation, were part of a national trend.
- 4.3. The Director highlighted a number of ways in which technology was being used and developed to support positive outcomes and it was confirmed that Hampshire was leading the way in this area. Recent positive feedback on the position in Hampshire had been received from Duncan Selbie (Chief Executive of Public Health England).

Further details on these items can be found at the following links:

- [Cabinet - 5 February 2018](#)
- [Cabinet - 11 December 2017](#)

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