Children's Services Select Committee

Response to Growth Commission - Selection of Priorities

Theme 1 was "supporting the aspirations and ambitions of young people"

The recommendations we prioritised under this theme are –

- Number 81, which focuses on the importance of schools engaging with parents
- Number 80, which asks the Council to look at persuading tutoring organisations to support students in the borough; and
- Number 83, which asks the Council to ensure that schools are providing careers education to students from a young age, was also considered very important in supporting young people's aspirations.

Theme 2 was "developing innovative partnerships to support young people's achievement (Early Years Focus)"

The recommendations we have prioritised under this theme are –

- Number 69, which focuses on a multi-agency early intervention strategic partnership playing a critical role in developing and implementing the range of interventions needed during early years; and
- Number 76, which asks the Council to build strong partnerships across a range of stakeholders to address educational under-achievement.

Theme 3 was "encouraging a broad and varied curriculum which develops young people's talent and prepares them well for adulthood"

The recommendations we prioritised under this theme are –

- Number 82 which recommends that schools should adopt an experiential approach to the curriculum enabling students to have wide-ranging experiences that both inform their learning and contribute to widening their horizons; and
- Number 95 which recommends that schools should support the development of healthy lifestyles and active citizenship through their curricular and extra-curricular activities.