

4. ST MARGARET'S ACADEMY - ATTAINMENT AND ACHIEVEMENTS

The committee were provided with a presentation (copies of which had been circulated) by Isla Wright, Head Teacher at St Margaret's Academy, the content of which included information on; attainment, achievements and school improvement planning.

The presentation commenced with the Head Teacher expanding on the attainment results detailed within the presentation. The committee were advised that the outcomes were considered a success, given that they were the first results post pandemic, and were testament to the commitment of staff and pupils which had enabled every young person to achieve their full potential.

Moving on to the achievements in 2021/22, members were informed that the pilot School for Construction qualification had proved really successful, leading to a pathway into the construction sector and making young people more marketable for local careers. Highlighting the Languages for Life and Work Polish language opportunity, it was advised that the school was the first in West Lothian to introduce the qualification. Including this as part of the curriculum enabled the additional skill of the wide Polish community to be celebrated and resulted in the school becoming more accessible for the young people and their families.

Mrs Wright continued and presented the school improvement planning for 2022/23, explaining that the whole school approach now was to learn the lessons of the pandemic and align them with the more traditional school picture.

The presentation concluded with members advised that the school prioritised excellence in attainment, high expectations and the equity and dignity of every young person. Committee were then given the opportunity to ask questions and provide comment.

Decision

To note the contents of the presentation.