

4. CARE EXPERIENCED CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE: LEVEL UP PROJECT AND RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

The panel considered a report (copies of which had been circulated) by the Head of Education (Secondary, Community Learning and Inclusion) providing an overview of the Level Up project and recent mainstream school developments which were supporting the attainment, wider achievements and positive destinations of our care experienced children and young people.

Officers were asked to what extent the Third Sector was involved in supporting Care Experienced Young people in raising their attainment and whether there would be the opportunity for increasing partnerships to do so. In response, the panel were informed of the current focused and informal partnerships and that the service would be open to engaging with the Third Sector.

In concluding discussion, the Chair advised that the panel would appreciate an update on developments as the project progressed.

It was recommended that the panel note both the positive impact of the Level Up project on the educational outcomes for our most disengaged care experienced children and young people and the ways in which recent, planned developments were supporting our young people in mainstream schools.

Decision

1. To note the contents of the report;
2. To note future engagement with the Third Sector would be considered; and
3. To request a future report to the panel as the Level Up project developed.