## SCRUTINY LEADS UPDATES OSC MEETING 21<sup>ST</sup> FEBRUARY 2022 COUNCILLOR BEX - SCRUTINY LEAD FOR CHILDREN AND EDUCATION

- ❖ The focus this month has been on preparation for the final sub-committee of the municipal year. The Sub-Committee will scrutinise the Council's plans to address the issues raised in last year's SEND inspection by Ofsted, and progress made (or not) since the inspection. In preparation for the meeting the Scrutiny Lead has met with scrutiny officers and the Corporate Director.
- ❖ Outside of the meeting, the Scrutiny Lead has asked for, and received, written briefings on the IICSA report into the Council's handling of sexual exploitation, and on the appointment of the sponsor for the new school at Wood Wharf. Given where the current position in both the municipal year and the electoral cycle, the Scrutiny Lead will be recommending that the scrutiny lead for 2022/23 includes the IICSA report early in the committee's work programme.
- ❖ This week the Scrutiny Lead will be attending the Social Care Improvement Board on 24/2 as an observer, and finalising the annual report of the subcommittee.