

Committee:	Date:
Education Board	3 March 2016
Subject: Quality Assurance and Accountability Framework Update	Public
Report of: Director of Community and Children's Services	For Information

Summary

This report provides the Education Board with an update on work undertaken by the Education Unit in accordance with the Quality Assurance and Accountability Framework that was agreed by the Board at its meeting in October 2015.

Recommendation(s)

Members are asked to note the report.

Main Report

Background

1. As an academy sponsor the City Corporation is accountable to the Department for Education (DfE) for the performance of its sponsored/co-sponsored academies. The City Corporation is accountable in its role as an academy sponsor through the Court of Common Council, which delegates this responsibility to the Education Board.
2. On 15 October 2015 the Education Board endorsed a Quality Assurance and Accountability Framework for the City Corporation's sponsored academies.

Current Position

3. At the Headteachers' Forum on 24 February the Education Strategy Director led a discussion on data sharing, targets for this summer's examinations, and information that will be provided prior to his termly visit to each academy.
4. The draft Education Strategy Director Visit Forms for both primary and secondary academies are available as appendices 1 and 2. This data will be analysed with information provided at earlier data points and supported by the Education Strategy Directors' observations during his visit. Following each visit the Education Strategy Director will discuss any issues he has identified with the Principal and discuss any mitigating actions the school has taken or additional support that can be provided. A report detailing the outcomes of the Education Strategy director's Visits will be submitted to the Education Board.

Conclusion

5. In accordance with the agreed Quality Assurance and Accountability Framework, the Education Strategy Director has requested performance data from the City Corporation's Academies and will undertake visits to each academy this term. A report will be presented to the Education Board at its next meeting identifying the key outcomes of the visits, any issues that were identified, and actions that are being taken to address issues.

Appendices

- Appendix 1 – City of London Academies Trust – Academy Monitoring
- Appendix 2 – City of London Academies Trust – Primary Monitoring

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