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2.1. Performance overview

OdB provided an overview of highlights since the last board meeting, performance against strategic goals and progress against KPIs. OdB also updated on work relating to the key opportunities and risks for CEC which were discussed at the previous meeting.

The Board were updated on the work underway to agree a grant funding agreement (GFA) with the DfE for 2024/25. Good progress is being made and we are working to have an 18-month agreement in place before April 2024.

The Board discussed the work underway to support special schools and opportunities for this work to be expanded through our work with employers.

The Board noted the updates and commended the progress that has been made.

2.2 Workstream Updates

The Board noted the following update papers:

< [2.1.1 Network and Employers](#)

JY provided an update on the highlights from the NET team, including the Teacher Encounters Programme.

The group discussed the Teacher Encounters programme and challenges created by capacity issues within schools. It was noted that shorter but more frequent interactions with schools were helping to build strong relationships.

Action: PL to circulate the independent evaluation report for the Teacher Encounters programme.

< [2.1.2 Data and Digital](#)

JY provided an update on the highlights from the D&D team, including changes in the way the organisation is planning and prioritising digital development.

The Board noted the progress with FSQ completions and discussed the flow of

EK presented the management accounts and provided an update following to mid-year forecast. The Board noted the current position, where spend against budget year to date is on target. A mid-year reforecast will be reported to Audit committee in October. Total spend for the year is expected to be around £35m, with around £32m of that from the main GFA and the remainder from other sources, including the primary grant.

3. Building Career Readiness

NH presented a paper on building careers readiness and how CEC might further support this work. The Board discussed the paper and gave their support for the outlined approach.

4. Deep Dive on Government+

MR provided an update on the Government + Strategy which included, learnings to date, me732.905 reW*ñBT