

Performance and Resources Committee

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1. Executive Summary

- 1.1 This paper, and associated data, provides an update on in-year recruitment, retention, and delivery of the Glasgow colleges against the targets of the Glasgow Region Outcome Agreement 2023-24.
- 1.2 The Glasgow college region is, on the whole, on track to deliver against targets set for the academic year, and broadly shows the Glasgow college system meeting the demand of learners seeking to enter college learning in Glasgow.
- 1.3 In line with the April update to committee, recruitment and retention have proven to be strong, though they continue to be monitored to ascertain if there is longer-term impact on learners from issues such as strike action and action short of strike action (ASOS). ASOS, in particular, may have a longer-term impact on progression data and on areas such as student satisfaction data. The Glasgow colleges continue to be live to the potential risk to end-of-year completion linked to ASOS as well as the complexities of offer types for progression to university qualifications.

2. Recommendations

2.1 Committee is invited to **note** the progress of the Glasgow college region on delivery of the Glasgow Region Outcome Agreement 2023-24.

3. Report

- 3.1 Data available at this point in the academic calendar provides a snapshot of enrolments for the 2023-24 session. Against a total Credit target of 343,462, we are currently on target to achieve 347,390 a variance of 3928, slightly up against the April 2023 measure of 347,317. This continues to illustrate successful student recruitment and retention for the year. It is noted again that Foundation Apprenticeship figures are now included in this overall figure.
- 3.2 The regional targets for delivery to SIMD10 cohort is also currently on track for delivery above target, projected at 100,772 against a target of 95,300. This means that 29% of Glasgow college learners currently enrolled are from the lowest SIMD 10%, increasing again from 28.7% at April 2024. The target for delivery to care-experienced learners is also on track for delivery against target, projected at 25,434 against a target of 23,400, equating to 7.3% of all learners.
- 3.3 The available mid-year return data is provided in Annex A. Please note there is no formal Foundation Apprenticeship target for enrolments in 2023-24 as these are included in overall core credit data with FA places offers as 'opportunities' rather than a target. As has been noted in previous committees, Foundation Apprenticeship numbers have been a significant challenge, and work is on-going with relevant local authorities and Glasgow colleges to consider future options. In the meantime, updated figures will be made available at future committees.

4. Risk and Compliance Analysis

4.1 Overarching delivery Performance Indicators are monitored, alongside associated learning and teaching elements, to provide assurance and effective planning of provision and delivery in the Glasgow college region.

5. Financial and Resource Analysis

5.1 There are no additional financial implications associated with this report. The success of the Glasgow college system in enrolling learners to the overarching Credit target is a significant step in safeguarding the overarching approach.

6. Equalities Implications

6.1 There are no additional equalities implications associated with this report beyond the data presented. The Glasgow colleges are generally delivering at, or beyond, targets in specific protected characteristic or demographic groups.

7. Learner Implications

7.1 The Outcome Agreement monitoring reports provide assurance against learner data such as enrolments and retention in year with final learner outcomes for completion and progression reported at a later stage in the cycle.

Performance Indicators - May 2024

Total credits
Core credits
Foundation Apprenticeships credits

Volume of credits delivered to learners in the lowest 10% SIMD 2020

Percentage of credits delivered to learners in the lowest 10% SIMD 2020

Volume of credits delivered to care experienced learners

Volume of credits delivered to care experienced learners

Foundation apprenticeships

Number of senior phase age pupils studying vocational qualifications at college

City of Glasgow College				
Target	Projected	Variance		
157,800	158,548	748		
157,800	157,500	-300		
0	1,048	1,048		
36,500	37,840	1,340		
23.1%	23.9%			
8,300	8,998	698		
5.3%	5.7%			
TBC	137	#VALUE!		
400	493	93		

Glasgow Clyde College				
Target	Projected	Variance		
113,721	116,901	3,180		
113,721	116,423	2,702		
0	478	478		
33,200	34,150	950		
29.2%	29.2%			
9,100	8,781	-319		
8.0%	7.5%			
TBC	61	#VALUE!		
340	201	-139		
340	201	-133		

Glasgow Kelvin College				
Target	Projected	Variance		
71,941	71,941	0		
71,941	71,941	0		
0	0	0		
25,600	28,782	3,182		
35.6%	40.0%			
6,000	7,655	1,655		
8.3%	10.6%			
TBC	78	#VALUE!		
220	103	-117		

Glasgow Region				
Target	Projected	Variance		
343,462	347,390	3,928		
343,462	345,864	2,402		
0	1,526	1,526		
95,300	100,772	5,472		
27.7%	29.0%			
23,400	25,434	2,034		
6.8%	7.3%			
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960	797	-163		