

## **Education and Learning Scrutiny Committee**

### **Response to actions in relation to School Attendance Report:**

- The pupil that was excluded for the reason 'using a mobile phone in school' was listening to music on their phone and was asked to stop, and the pupil then went on to message someone and was asked to hand the phone over to the teacher which the pupil refused, the situation escalated as the pupil walked out of the class and there was an issue in the corridor.
- With regards to the fire alarm – there have been a number of exclusions linked to students setting off fire alarms in their schools
  
- There are currently 130 pupils on the EHE database (30/11/21). The numbers fluctuate so on the same day in 2020 there were 99, and in 2019 76.
  
- **EXCLUSION CODES**
  - PP Physical Assault – of a Pupil
  - PA Physical Assault – of an Adult
  - BU Bullying
  - RA Racist Abuse
  - VP Verbal Abuse/Threat – to a Pupil
  - VA Verbal Abuse/Threat – to an Adult
  - DB Persistent Disruptive Behaviour
  - DA Drug and Alcohol
  - TH Theft
  - DM Vandalism/damage
  - SM Sexual misconduct
  - OT Other - Other should be used sparingly and where the reason is not listed above so other could cover one off incidents such as use of a mobile phone in the classroom, setting off the fire alarm maybe.