Request

Please can you supply the following information:

1. Does Wigan Metropolitan Borough Council intend to use data analytics, predictive analytics and or artificial intelligence systems to process data collected through the proposed Children Not In School Register? If so, which?
2. Does Wigan Metropolitan Borough Council intend to use data analytics, predictive analytics and or artificial intelligence systems to automate any part of the School Attendance Order (SAO) process? If so, which?
3. Details of any internal briefing notes, reports, summaries or written discussions relating to the intended or potential use of data analytics, predictive analytics and or artificial intelligence systems to automate any part of the School Attendance Order (SAO) process.
4. Details of any information shared by the Department for Education with Wigan Metropolitan Borough Council relating to the intended or potential use of data analytics, predictive analytics and or artificial intelligence systems to process data collected through the proposed Children Not In School Register and or to automate any part of the School Attendance Order (SAO) process, including the assessment of suitability of education.
5. Any meeting minutes, reports, assessments, or presentation materials on the efficacy or impact of data analytics, predictive analytics and or artificial intelligence systems to support the automation of any part of the School Attendance Order (SAO) process.
6. Details of any third-party consultants or suppliers of data analytics, predictive analytics or artificial intelligence systems including any contracts, memoranda of understanding, or other agreements (which may include but not exclusively data sharing agreements).

Response

1. Wigan council is open to utilising technology to improve efficiency and improve outcomes for residents. We do currently use power bi to create data analytics, draw conclusions and present data in dashboard form.
2. There are no current plans for this
3. None in existence
4. There is no information of this nature that we are currently aware of.
5. None in existence
6. Currently all in house.