

## Scrutiny of the Sustainable Economy and Culture Strategic Partnership Board

Report published June 2013

Formal response

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1	<p><b>The Sustainable Economy and Culture Partnership gives consideration to the diversity and representativeness of its membership in relation to the population of Leeds when vacancies arise in its membership.</b></p>		
	<p><b><u>January 2014 formal response</u></b></p> <p>An initial review of the Sustainable Economy and Culture Partnership's membership was completed towards the end of 2013. Essentially this considered attendance at meetings and engagement with the Board's priorities specifically in relation to taking responsibility for championing and promoting the work of the Board through the ambassadorial role members have agreed to promote.</p> <p>As a result of this review it is confirmed that a new member can be invited to join the Board and together with the retirement of another member in January, the Chair has agreed to approach two new members. The inclusion of these people would positively affect the diversity of representation on the Board.</p> <p>It is also confirmed that as the actions to support the Board's priorities are further developed, there will be more opportunities to strengthen membership and the Partnership are committed to a further review of membership this year.</p>	<p><b>2 (Achieved)</b></p>	

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2	<p><b>The Strategic Partnership Board develops a clear plan for progressing the low carbon city priority area of work</b></p>		
	<p><b><u>January 2014 formal response</u></b></p> <p>At its meeting on 25 November 2013, the SECB held a very useful debate regarding Leeds' progress towards becoming a low carbon city.</p> <p>The meeting was well attended and brief presentations were made by Dr Tom Knowland Head of Sustainable Development and Neil Evans Director of Environments and Housing, Leeds City Council; by Dr Louise Ellis, Head of Sustainability, University of Leeds; and by Paul Connell, MD, Halcyon Innovation &amp; Partner Actuated Futures, Leeds Energy Forum.</p> <p>SECB agreed that a small group would meet to debate potential actions to take us further towards a low carbon city; this meeting will be hosted by the University of Leeds. Key areas of focus will be:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The role of the Board in assisting in the provision of city wide low carbon energy infrastructure projects (such as District Heating etc) so as to reduce the carbon footprint of the city's energy consumption.</li> <li>• The role of the Board in helping to improve energy efficiency (such as promoting the roll out of domestic and commercial Green Deal and Energy Company Obligation related programmes) and how these assist in addressing fuel poverty. These programmes assist in reducing the consumption of energy in the city as a whole.</li> <li>• The role of the Board in assisting with the development of a city wide approach to behaviour change to support and reinforce the effectiveness of physical interventions in the city's energy systems and infrastructure.</li> </ul>	<p><b>4</b> <b>Not achieved</b> <b>(Progress made acceptable. Continue monitoring.)</b></p>	