

Report of the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development

Report to Scrutiny Board (City Development)

Date: 14 October 2015

Subject: Item 7 – Supplementary Information – Scrutiny Inquiry into Digital Inclusion

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

1 Purpose of this report

1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide supplementary information to the Scrutiny Board (City Development) which was not available at the time of agenda publication.

2 Main Issues

2.1 The scope of the inquiry agreed by the Scrutiny Board in September 2015 makes direct reference to the connectivity and infrastructure across Leeds currently and future plan in order to identify how areas could be excluded or disadvantaged.

2.2 On the 27th July 2015 The Department of Culture Media and Sport select committee announced their intention to undertake an inquiry into 'Establishing world-class connectivity throughout the UK' and invited written submissions. The terms of reference are attached as appendix A. The West Yorkshire Combined Authority provided a written response on the 30th of September which the authority has kindly agreed to share with the Scrutiny Board. The response details a number of recommendations and action points with regard to the region and more specifically Leeds.

3. Recommendations

3.1 The Scrutiny Board is asked to:

- a) Consider and note the supplementary information appended to this report which supports Item 7 of the Scrutiny Board (City Development) for the 14th of October 2015.

4. **Background papers**¹ - None used

¹ The background documents listed in this section are available to download from the Council's website, unless they contain confidential or exempt information. The list of background documents does not include published works.