

Report of Head of Corporate Governance and Scrutiny Support

Report to Scrutiny Board (Children's Services)

Date: 30 March 2017

Subject: Directors Response to Scrutiny Inquiry - Aspire, Empower, Accomplish – Supporting Young People with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities in Leeds & Joint local area SEND inspection in Leeds

Are specific electoral Wards affected?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):		
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
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Does the report contain confidential or exempt information?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
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Summary of main issues

- 1 At the meeting in June 2015, the Scrutiny Board (Children's Services) considered its work programme for the 2015/16 municipal year and resolved to undertake an inquiry into Supporting Young People with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities in Leeds.
- 2 Terms of reference for this inquiry were agreed on the 10th of September 2015 when it was agreed that the inquiry would be undertaken with significant focus on the challenges that face young people from year 9 onwards, in education, transition to adult life and into employment or training.
- 3 The Board agreed its inquiry report on the 23 February 2017 when it resolved to receive the Directors formal response on the 30 March 2017 along with the outcomes of the recent Joint local area SEND inspection in Leeds.
- 4 The Directors response to recommendations made in the Scrutiny Inquiry will be issued as late supplementary information in advance of the meeting, as appendix 1. The Joint local area SEND inspection report and subsequent report to Executive Board dated the 22nd of March 2017 is attached as appendix 2.

Recommendations

- 5 The Scrutiny Board (Children's Services) is recommended to:
- a. consider the response provided as appendix 1 following its inquiry into Supporting Young People with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities in Leeds.
 - b. consider the outcome of the Joint Local Area SEND inspection and make recommendations as deemed appropriate.

Background documents

- 6 None used¹

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.