

Report of Head of Corporate Governance and Scrutiny Support

Report to Scrutiny Board (Children's Services)

Date: 30 March 2017

Subject: Innovation in Children's Services

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
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
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

- On 15 December 2016 the Scrutiny Board (Children's Services) considered the budget proposals for 2017/18. Within the planned Children's Service budget outlined was funding from an innovations bid which was subject to approval. The Scrutiny Board (Children's Services) at that time expressed concern that the funding had not been approved. At the end of February 2017 the Department for Education awarded Leeds City Council innovation funding of £9.6 million.
- Attached as appendix 1 is the report of the Director of Children's services, 22nd of March 2017. The purpose of this report is to inform Executive Board of Children's Services' success in negotiating a three year investment in the city's services for children and families and outlines how this funding will be utilised.

Recommendations

- Members are asked to:
 - note the report of the Director of Children's services dated 22 March 2017.
 - make recommendations as deemed appropriate.
 - to identify areas which may require further Scrutiny focus during 2017/18

Background documents - None¹

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.