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**Report of the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development**

**Scrutiny Board (Children's Services)**

**Date: 11 January 2007**

**Subject: The implications of Trust Schools for the Local Authority**

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**Electoral Wards Affected:**

**Specific Implications For:**

Ethnic minorities

Women

Disabled people

Narrowing the Gap

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**1.0 Introduction**

- 1.1 At the board's December meeting, members agreed to carry out an inquiry into the implications for Leeds City Council of the new legislation relating to Trust Schools.
- 1.2 Draft terms of reference have been attached for members' consideration.

**2.0 Views of the director and executive member**

- 2.1 The Scrutiny Board Procedure Rules Guidance Notes also require that, before embarking on an inquiry, the board seeks and considers the views of the relevant director and executive member. These views will need to be incorporated into the terms of reference.

**3.0 Recommendation**

- 3.1 The board is requested to agree the terms of reference for the inquiry.