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Report of the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development

Scrutiny Board (City Development)

Date: 7th December 2010

Subject: Session 1 the Inquiry to Consider the Future of Kirkgate Market

Electoral Wards Affected: All	Specific Implications For:
	Equality and Diversity
Ward Members consulted (referred to in report)	Narrowing the Gap

1.0 Introduction

1.1 This is the first session of the Board's Inquiry to consider the Future of Kirkgate Market.

2.0 Terms of Reference

2.1 A copy of the Board's terms of reference for this inquiry which was approved on 2nd November 2010 is attached for reference purposes.

3.0 Report of the Acting Director of City Development

3.1 In accordance with the terms of reference a report from the Acting Director of City Development is attached for consideration of the Board in relation to the current issues facing Leeds markets including the Eastgate development, the financial position of the market and the development of a strong marketing strategy.

4.0 Witnesses

- 4.1 The following organisations have been invited to send representatives to attend today's meeting to give evidence to the Board and respond to members questions:
 - National Market Traders Federation (NMTF)
 - Kirkgate Branch of the NMTF
 - Chamber of Commerce
 - Friends of Kirkgate Market

4.2 The Board is asked to identify the witnesses and organisations, if any, it wishes to hear from at the next session of this inquiry.

5.0 Recommendations

- 5.1 The Board is requested to:
 - (i) Consider the report of the Acting Director of City Development and ask questions of the officers present.
 - (ii) Hear and ask questions of the witnesses who attend and give evidence at today's meeting.
 - (iii) Identify the witnesses and organisations the Board would like to hear from at the next session of this inquiry.
 - (iv) Determine what, if any, further information the Board requires.
 - (v) Start to identify specific issues and recommendations the Board wishes to include in its final report.

Background Papers

None used