



Report of the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development

Scrutiny Board (Safer and Stronger Communities)

Date: 20th June 2011

Subject: Inquiry Reviewing the Establishment of a Shared Service Centre for the Leeds Arms Length Management Organisations (ALMOs) - Draft Final Report and Recommendations

Electoral Wards Affected: All

Ward Members consulted
(referred to in report)

Specific Implications For:

Equality and Diversity

Community Cohesion

Narrowing the Gap

1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 The Scrutiny Board (Environment and Neighbourhoods) undertook an inquiry last year to review the establishment of a Shared Service Centre for the Leeds Arms Length Management Organisations (ALMOs). This inquiry concluded in April 2011 and a final report has been drafted detailing the findings and conclusions and recommendations resulting from the evidence gathered.
- 1.2 A copy of the draft final report along with a summary of the evidence considered during the inquiry is attached for consideration at today's meeting.

2.0 Consultation

- 2.1 Scrutiny Board Procedure Rule 13.2 states that "where a Scrutiny Board is considering making specific recommendations it shall invite advice from the appropriate Director(s) prior to finalising its recommendations. The detail of that advice shall be reported to the Scrutiny Board and considered before the report is finalised. The Director shall consult with the appropriate Executive Member before providing any such advice."
- 2.2 The appropriate Director has been consulted and any comments or advice that is received will be presented to the Board meeting today.

3.0 Recommendations

3.1 The Board is requested to:-

- (i) Agree the Board's final report and recommendations.
- (ii) Request that a formal response to the recommendations is produced in line with normal procedures for scrutiny inquiry reports as set out in Scrutiny Procedure Rule 14.1.