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## Report of the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development

### Scrutiny Board (Children and Families)

Date: 23 June 2011

Subject: Green Paper - Support and aspiration: a new approach to special educational needs and disability

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#### Electoral Wards Affected: All

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Ward Members consulted  
(referred to in report)

#### Specific Implications For:

Equality and Diversity

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Community Cohesion

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Narrowing the Gap

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## 1 Purpose of this report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to invite the Scrutiny Board to contribute to the council's response to the recent government Green Paper on special educational needs and disability.

## 2 Background information

- 2.1 The government published a Green Paper in March 2011 entitled Support and aspiration: a new approach to special educational needs and disability. A copy of the Green Paper is attached. Consultation on the paper closes on 30 June.
- 2.2 Following a request from a member of the Scrutiny Board, this paper is brought to the Board in order that members may feed into the corporate response that is being prepared by Children's Services. Relevant officers will attend the meeting, and will brief the Board on the development of the consultation response.

## 3 Recommendation

- 3.1 That the Board considers any comments for inclusion in the corporate response to the Green Paper.