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## Report of the School Organisation Advisory Board

Date: 6 September 2012

Subject: Report on School competition process for new schools in Harehills and South Leeds

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<b>Electoral Wards Affected:</b>  N/A  <input type="checkbox"/> Ward Members consulted (referred to in report)	<b>Specific Implications For:</b>  Equality and Diversity <input type="checkbox"/> Community Cohesion <input type="checkbox"/> Narrowing the Gap <input type="checkbox"/>	
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### 1.0 Purpose of This Report

To explain to the Board the role of the Board in considering the school competition bids and making recommendations to the Executive Board to assist the Executive Board in reaching a decision in relation to the new schools proposals.

### 2.0 Background Information

Public consultation took place in September and October 2011 on the need for new primary schools at Florence Street in Harehills and the site of the former South Leeds Sports Centre. The Executive Board agreed to proceed with competitions for new schools in January 2012. This entailed publishing two statutory notices, one inviting interested parties to submit bids to run the schools, and the second publishing details of the bids and inviting comments. The second notice expired on 20 August 2012.

There were 7 responses to the summary of bids notice for Harehills, including 1 petition with 60 signatures. The preferred bids were 1 for Leeds Muslim College, 2 for LEAF, 3 for Co-op, 1 for Academies Enterprise Trust.

There are 114 responses to the summary of bids for South Leeds. All supported the Learning Trust South Leeds.

These two proposals are now submitted to the Board to consider the proposals and to make recommendations to the Executive Board.

Members of the Board will have the following documents to consider:

Copies of the invitation to bid, bids received, and responses received are all available on:

<http://www.thefamilyhubleeds.org/content.aspx?ref=HTMLFiles/educationinleeds/harehillsconsultation.html>

<http://www.thefamilyhubleeds.org/content.aspx?ref=HTMLFiles/educationinleeds/southleedsconsultation.html>

Due to the volume of information it is not intended to provide hard copies of the invitation to bid, the bids received and the responses.

Report from Children's Services in relation to the school competition proposals (this will be sent separately).

### **3.0 Recommendations**

The Board is asked to consider the proposals and to make recommendations with reasons for consideration by the Executive Board.