

**Report of the Director of Children's Services**

**Report to West Leeds (Inner) Area Committee**

**Date: 25<sup>th</sup> March 2014**

**Subject: Ofsted Update and Future Leaders Bramley Pilot**

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| Are specific electoral Wards affected?<br>If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):<br>Armley<br>Bramley & Stanningley                                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No            |
| Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
| Is the decision eligible for Call-In?  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
| Does the report contain confidential or exempt information?<br>If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number:<br>Appendix number: | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |

**Summary of main issues**

1. At the Area Committee information will be presented on:
  - The Ofsted framework that was introduced in September 2012 and;
  - The Future Leaders pilot in Bramley.

**Recommendations**

2. That the area committee receive a presentation for its consideration, input and discussion.

# 1 Purpose of This Report

## Ofsted

1.1 The presentation will cover key issues in relation to changes to Ofsted inspections. A new Ofsted framework was introduced in September 2012. Changes have also been made to the Ofsted guidance in January 2014.

1.2 Some of the key changes to the frame work are:

- “Outstanding” schools will be exempt from inspection (not nursery, special schools or Pupil Referral Units). For other schools, up to a five year interval depending on performance. Usually, three year cycle for PRUs, special and nursery schools even if “outstanding”.
- Grade 3 (satisfactory) schools are now classified as “requires improvement”.
- If deemed as “requires improvement” for two previous consecutive inspections, the school will usually be deemed to require “special measures” after the third inspection.
- Inspectors consider salary progression of teachers in light of the “quality of teaching” judgement. Schools must supply anonymised information about the most recent performance management of all teachers.
- Inspectors look at new groups of children, those in receipt of the Pupil Premium, and evaluate how this funding is spent.

1.3 There are 18 schools in the inner west area, 2 secondary schools and 16 primary schools. Both secondary schools are academies.

1.4 1 school is rated as ‘outstanding’, 13 schools in the area are ‘good’, 3 schools are ‘satisfactory/requires improvement’. Swallow Hill Academy is yet to be inspected but as a maintained school was last rated as ‘satisfactory’.

1.5 The Future Leaders programme is aimed at teachers who want to become inspirational headteachers in challenging schools in an accelerated timeframe. The leadership development programme takes place over three years and places teachers into senior leadership positions in challenging schools. They are supported through specialist training and development.

1.6 **Future Leaders**

There are currently 350 Future Leaders working in 240 challenging secondary schools across the country. The programme will also shortly be extended to include teachers in a primary setting.

1.7 In 2013, established future leaders heads improved 5 A\*-C GCSE (including English and Maths) results by 4.6% compared with a national rate of 1.4%.

1.8 The presentation will detail a proposal for Future Leaders to work with the Bramley cluster.

## **2 Corporate Considerations**

### **2.1 Consultation and Engagement**

- a) Consultation and engagement is integral to the work of Children's Services and the Children's Trust, as evidenced in child friendly city work.

### **2.2 Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration.**

- a) The work of Ofsted takes into account equality, diversity, cohesion and integration issues .

### **2.3 Council Policies and City Priorities**

- a) The information contained in the presentation contributes towards the achievement of the objectives set out in the Best Council Plan 2013-17.

### **2.4 Resources and Value for Money**

- a) There are no resource implications.

### **2.5 Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In**

- a) There are no legal implications.
- b) The report contains no information that is deemed exempt or confidential.

### **2.6 Risk Management**

- a) There are no risk management implications within this report.

## **3 Recommendations**

3.1 That the area committee receive a presentation for its consideration, input and discussion.

## **4 Background documents<sup>1</sup>**

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<sup>1</sup> The background documents listed in this section are available for inspection on request for a period of four years following the date of the relevant meeting. Accordingly this list does not include documents containing exempt or confidential information, or any published works. Requests to inspect any background documents should be submitted to the report author.

a) There are no background documents associated with this report.