

Report of Head of Governance and Scrutiny Support

Report to Scrutiny Board (Inclusive Growth, Culture and Sport)

Date: 17th January 2018

Subject: Scrutiny Inquiry into Information, Advice and Guidance (IAG) provision in Leeds – draft terms of reference

Are specific electoral Wards affected?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):		
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1. Introduction

- 1.1 At the beginning of the municipal year, the Scrutiny Board expressed an interest in undertaking a piece of work aimed at achieving inclusive growth by addressing local employment and skills gaps. However, it was agreed that the Board would firstly consider the Council's wider draft Inclusive Growth Strategy as part of the formal consultation process. This was undertaken during the Board's September meeting.
- 1.2 The Scrutiny Board had also acknowledged the launch of the Council's draft Leeds Talent and Skills Plan in July 2017 for wider consultation. This Plan covers the period 2017 – 2023, which is the same period as the Leeds Inclusive Growth Strategy. The Plan is also closely aligned to the Strategy, reflecting the critical importance of skills to economic growth, and similarly has been developed through collaboration between the Council, employers, residents, and education and skills providers.
- 1.3 The Scrutiny Board therefore considered the draft Leeds Talent and Skills Plan during its November meeting, acknowledging that many of its key areas of interest around employment and skills are already reflected within the draft Leeds Talent and Skills Plan. The Board had also expressed a specific interest in exploring how young people who have offended are also supported into the labour market and therefore also welcomed a briefing on this issue from the Leeds Youth Offending Service.
- 1.4 In conclusion, the Board agreed to undertake more detailed Scrutiny surrounding Information, Advice and Guidance (IAG) provision in Leeds.

- 1.5 Draft terms of reference relating to the Board's forthcoming inquiry into Information, Advice and Guidance (IAG) provision in Leeds will therefore be tabled at today's meeting for the Board's consideration and agreement.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1. Members are requested to consider and agree the terms of reference for its forthcoming inquiry into Information, Advice and Guidance (IAG) provision in Leeds.

3. Background documents¹

- 3.1 None

¹ The background documents listed in this section are available to download from the Council's website, unless they contain confidential or exempt information. The list of background documents does not include published works.