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## Report of the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development

### Scrutiny Board (City Development)

Date: 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2008

Subject: Inquiry to Review Consultation Processes

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#### Electoral Wards Affected: All



Ward Members consulted  
(referred to in report)

#### Specific Implications For:

Equality and Diversity

Community Cohesion

Narrowing the Gap

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## 1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 Scrutiny Board (City Development) has now completed its inquiry to review consultation processes. The Board is now in a position to report on its findings and its conclusions and recommendations resulting from the evidence gathered.
- 1.2 A copy of the draft final report has been circulated to all Members of the Board for comments prior to this meeting and is now attached for consideration at today's meeting, along with a summary of the evidence considered during the inquiry.

## 2.0 Consultation

- 2.1 Scrutiny Board Procedure Rule 16.3 states that "where a Scrutiny Board is considering making specific recommendations it shall invite advice from the appropriate Director prior to finalising its recommendations. The Director shall consult with the appropriate Executive Member before providing any such advice. The detail of that advice shall be attached to the report".
- 2.2 In this case the specific recommendations involve two Directors of City Development and Environment and Neighbourhoods and the Chief Executive of Education Leeds. They have each been invited to consult with their respective Executive Member and provide any advice that they wish to provide at this stage, before the Board Members, finalise their report. Any comments received from them will be attached as an appendix to the Board's final report.
- 2.3 Once the Board publishes its final report, the relevant Directors and the Chief Executive of Education Leeds will be asked to formally respond to the Scrutiny Board's recommendations within 2 months of receipt of the Board's report in accordance with Scrutiny Board Procedure Rule 15.1.

### **3.0 Recommendations**

3.1 The Board is requested to:-

- (i) Agree the Board's final report and recommendations.
- (ii) Request that the relevant Directors and the Chief Executive, Education Leeds formally respond to the Scrutiny Board's recommendations within 2 months of receipt of the Board's report.