

EXECUTIVE BOARD
TUESDAY, 7TH JANUARY, 2020

PRESENT: Councillor J Blake in the Chair
Councillors A Carter, R Charlwood,
D Coupar, S Golton, J Lewis, J Pryor,
M Rafique and F Venner

APOLOGIES: Councillor L Mulherin

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The Director of Children and Families submitted a report which detailed the outcome and response to the inspection of the Leeds Youth Justice Service by Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Probation (HMIP) and which sought endorsement to working with the Inspectorate in a forthcoming review of the methodology applied to Out of Court Disposals.

As part of the introduction to the submitted report, the Executive Member for Children and Families invited the Board to request that this matter be referred to Scrutiny Board (Children and Families) in order to enable the outcomes and implications arising from this inspection to be considered in greater detail.

As part of a broad discussion on this matter, Members discussed:

- the inspection outcomes for Leeds;
- the new inspection framework
- the approach being taken by Leeds in this area - with specific reference made to restorative work in discouraging young people from reoffending;
- how the Authority was responding to the judgement of the inspection – with reference being made to the action plan which had been established; and
- the involvement of Leeds in the national review which was being undertaken.

RESOLVED –

- (a) That the results of the Youth Justice Service inspection, as detailed within Appendix 1 to the submitted report, together with the work that is underway to address areas for further development, be noted;
- (b) That the intention for the Youth Justice Service in Leeds to work with Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Probation to support the review of the methodology applied to inspecting Out-of-Court Disposal, be endorsed;
- (c) That the improvement and action plan, as detailed at Appendix 2 to the submitted report, be endorsed;
- (d) That the inspection report of Youth Justice Services in Leeds together with the outcomes arising from the inspection be referred to Scrutiny Board (Children and Families) in order to enable the outcomes and implications arising from this inspection to be considered in greater detail.