

Deputy Director Learning – Up to £119,594

Our vision for Leeds is to be a great place to grow up; a child friendly, compassionate, sustainable and economically successful city where children and young people feel welcome and safe, and where they have the right opportunities and support to achieve their full potential. A key part of this is listening – giving our young people a voice at the top table to tell us what it is like to grow up in Leeds.

We're getting it right. Ofsted have rated us as Outstanding in our overall effectiveness, and through the Strengthening Families Protecting Children programme we are now supporting other local authorities to improve the lives of their children and young people too.

We understand the strategic connection between economic growth and the education and skills agenda; and we're seeking a creative response to rising numbers in our schools. So, as well as being the lead Education professional in our organisation, we'll also look to our new Deputy Director of Learning Services to think more widely and build the cross sector partnerships that will see potential in Leeds flourish.

This role is about building on what we do well, and quickly identifying what can be better - working with others to design and deliver the right response particularly in the current context we are working with the challenges that COVID has presented. It will suit an individual with a compelling track record in education leadership in a multi-establishment setting; someone who has the subject expertise and professional credibility to build on positive relationships with schools, universities and colleges, politicians and an extensive range of stakeholders.

It's a very visible role in an organisation where expectations are high, so you'll need to be confident in managing the scrutiny and attention that comes with a portfolio that is central to ambitions for our city.

For more information or to arrange a discussion about the role, please contact Sal Tariq, Director of Childrens and Families on Saleem.Tariq2@leeds.gov.uk

Closing date – Tuesday 23rd March