



Report of Chief Executive of Education Leeds

East (Inner) Area Committee

Date: 3rd December 2009

Subject: THE NATIONAL CHALLENGE AND STRUCTURAL CHANGE TO SECONDARY SCHOOL PROVISION IN LEEDS

Electoral Wards Affected:		Specific Implications For:	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ward Members consulted (referred to in report)	Equality and Diversity	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Community Cohesion	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Narrowing the Gap	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Council Function	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Delegated Executive Function available for call in	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Delegated Executive Function not available for Call In Details set out in the report	<input type="checkbox"/>

Executive Summary

The attached report was submitted to the October meeting of the Executive Board. It included recommendations that the Council should immediately:-

1. review and further develop our school improvement activity in all three schools, securing strong partners who can assist in supporting leaders and governors in driving improved outcomes and achieving the floor targets.
2. consult formally on:-
 - the closure of City of Leeds, Primrose and Parklands High Schools;
 - establishing a new co-educational Academy in east Leeds on the Parklands site by 2011;
 - establishing a 14-19 hub on the City of Leeds site by 2011;
 - establishing an Academy on the Primrose site by 2011.
3. establish transition plans to secure provision for young people currently in each of the three schools to reassure students, parents and carers.

A further report will be submitted to the December meeting of the Executive Board detailing formally the school organisation proposals to be consulted upon. It will not have been considered by the Executive Board prior to the meeting of the Inner East Area Committee.

This report enables members of the Area Committee to

- feedback upon the recommendations contained in the report agreed by Executive Board in October;
- express an early view on the emerging detailed proposals about to be considered by Executive Board in December;
- indicate how they wish to be formally consulted on the final formal proposals.

Implications for the Council

4. Members are asked to note that the full policy and governance as well as legal and resource implications for the Council are examined in the attached Executive Board report.

Recommendations

5. The Inner East Area Committee are requested to:
 - feedback upon the recommendations contained in the report agreed by Executive Board in October;
 - express an early view on the emerging detailed proposals about to be considered by Executive Board in December;
 - indicate how they wish to be formally consulted on the final formal proposals.