

**Learning & Culture Overview & Scrutiny Committee 24 February 2015**  
Report of the Assistant Director, Governance & ICT

**Update on Implementation of Recommendations from Previously Completed Scrutiny Review on Careers, Education, Information, Advice & Guidance**

**Summary**

1. This report provides Members with a second update on the implementation of the recommendations arising from the previously completed scrutiny review of Careers, Education, Information, Advice & Guidance (CEIAG). Members are asked to sign off all those now considered fully implemented.

**Background**

2. In September 2012, in response to a scrutiny topic proposed by Councillor D'Agorne, the Learning & Culture Overview & Scrutiny Committee received a report detailing national and local developments in the provision of careers education information and guidance (CEIAG) to young people in schools and colleges.
3. In January 2013, the Committee received an update on the national developments, together with information on a recent thematic review into CEIAG carried out by The Office for Standards in Education (OFSTED) which had included visiting two schools in York. Initial feedback from OFSTED confirmed they were impressed with the collaboration between the schools and the Local Authority, in relation to CEIAG. However, the Committee recognised that if the provision of careers education differed between all schools in York, the conclusions from the OFSTED review would not represent the full picture. They therefore agreed it might be sensible to also look at the collaboration between 1 or 2 other schools and the Local Authority, in relation to CEIAG.
4. The Committee agreed to set up a Task Group to carry out the review on their behalf and agreed the following remit for the review:

*'To assess the standard of CEIAG for young people in York, and where appropriate identify improvements'*

5. Over a series of meetings the Task Group gathered evidence in support of the review and their draft final report was presented to the Learning & Culture Overview & Scrutiny Committee at a meeting on 18 September 2013. All the review recommendations were subsequently approved by Cabinet in November 2013.
6. In July 2014 this Committee received its first update on the implementation of the approved recommendations and agreed to sign off Recommendations (i) – (iii). The remaining recommendations were not signed off for the following reasons:
  - Recommendation iv - officers were still developing the framework.
  - Recommendation v – the Committee requested an assessment of the adjustments in statutory duties.
  - Recommendation vi – feedback was requested on the ongoing work to actively build stronger links between schools and employers.
  - Recommendation vii – the Committee requested further information.
  - Recommendation viii - work was continuing to look at ways to improve the provision.
  - Recommendation ix - officers were still exploring ways to work with schools and colleges.
  - Recommendation x - the Committee requested a copy of the letter and feedback on the results
7. The Committee also requested a further implementation update in 6 months time.

### **Consultation**

8. The council's Youth Support Service Manager has provided the further update information at Annex A.

### **Options**

9. Members may choose to sign off any individual recommendation where implementation has been completed, and can:
  - a. request further updates and the attendance of the relevant officers at a future meeting to clarify any outstanding recommendations relating to the above review or;
  - b. agree to receive no further updates on this review

## Council Plan 2011-15

9. Whilst the review did not directly support the priorities within the Council Plan 2011-15, it did support a recommendation within the Children & Young People's Plan made by young researchers that asked for careers information and advice to be age appropriate, and for increased links between businesses and education.

### Implications

10. There are no known Financial, Human Resources, Equalities, Legal, ITT or other implications associated with the recommendation made in this report.

### Risk Management

11. In compliance with the Council's risk management strategy, there are no known risks associated with this report.

### Recommendations

12. Members are asked to note the contents of this report and
- i. Sign off all recommendations that have been fully implemented.
  - ii. Agree whether a further update report is required in 6 months time.

Reason: To raise awareness of those recommendations which are still to be fully implemented.

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**Wards Affected:****All****For further information please contact the author of the report****Background Papers:** None

## **Annexes:**

**Annex A** – Update on CEIAG Scrutiny Review Recommendations

**Annex B** – Copy of letter sent to all year 11 leavers in July 2014

## **Report Abbreviations:**

CEIAG - Careers, Education, Information, Advice & Guidance

OFSTED - Office for Standards in Education