

Meeting of the Executive Member For Leisure & Culture and Advisory Panel

5 June 2007

Report of the Assistant Director (Lifelong Learning and Culture)

Lifelong Learning and Culture Plan

Summary

1. The paper invites comment on the draft Lifelong Learning and Culture Plan 2007-10.

Background

- 2. The first Lifelong Learning and Culture Plan was produced in 2005 to cover the period to 2008. This represents a refresh of that plan.
- 3. The Lifelong Learning and Culture Plan (attached as Annex A) is one of the two strategic plans that shapes the work of the department (the other being the Children and Young People's Plan). It takes as its starting point the aims of the Community Plan and sets out priorities for the service under 5 outcome areas:
 - o Making York More Eventful
 - Engaging in Learning
 - o Being Healthy
 - Building Stronger, Safer and Greener Communities
 - o A Vibrant Cultural Infrastructure
- 4. The individual initiatives and actions required to deliver the priorities will be found in the various service units' service plans. These in turn are reflected in individual targets given to officers through the Council's performance review process. In this way a clear thread can be seen from the highest level aspirations through to the targets of individual officers.
- 5. The Plan identifies Key Pls. A number of these are also reflected in the authority's Local Area Agreement.
- 6. Since the previous plan was produced much work has gone into improving the data that supports the "Where are we now" sections. The various data schedules that accompany each outcome area can be viewed on-line.

Consultation

7. The draft plan has been sent to stakeholders including <u>York@Large</u> for comment. Feedback will be available at the meeting.

Options

8. There are no formal options associated with this report but it is open to the Executive Member to suggest changes and additions to the plan.

Corporate Priorities

9. Each section of the plan identifies the various corporate objectives that it furthers.

The Next Steps

10. The Lifelong Learning and Culture Team are currently undertaking improvement planning using the *Towards an Excellent Service* model. This improvement plan once complete will be incorporated into the support section of the Lifelong Learning and Culture Plan. (The improvement plan will be the subject of a separate report to members). The full Lifelong Learning and Culture plan will then be amended in the light of feedback from the consultation and published in an accessible format.

Implications

- 11. **Financial:** For the most part the activity in the plan can be delivered within existing budgets. Detailed financial implications are included in individual services plans. However, some of the priorities are aspirational and will only be achieved if appropriate funding can be obtained.
- 12. There are no additional human resources, legal, crime and disorder, property, or IT implications.

Risk Management

13. Risk management is addressed through individual service plans.

Recommendations

14. The Executive Member is asked to agree the Lifelong Learning and Culture Plan subject to amendment to reflect feedback from the consultation.

Reason: To enable this strategic plan to be published and to guide the development of service plans.

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Wards Affected: All

Background Papers: None

Annex A: Lifelong Learning and Culture Plan

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