

Apprenticeships Review

Purpose

1. To supply Members of the Apprenticeships Review Committee with information regarding public sector apprenticeships in Nottinghamshire which is required as part of the evidence gathering process for the review.

Information

2. On 23 July the Overview Committee agreed to include in the programme of work for Scrutiny a review of apprenticeships in Nottinghamshire with a particular focus on public sector providers.
 3. The review will examine current provision of apprenticeships available for young people in Nottinghamshire across all sectors with a specific focus on public sector providers and in particular the County Council. It will consider if there are sufficient places to meet demand and if the County Council has a role in both promoting this route to obtaining recognised skills qualifications, and increasing the number of apprenticeships available.
 4. At the first meeting of the review Terry Laws, Partnership Director, the Learning and Skills Council and Karen Woodward, Regional Apprenticeship Director, the National Apprenticeship Service discussed apprenticeships including participation and promotion across all sectors in Nottinghamshire.
 5. Marjorie Toward, Service Director HR Services, Corporate Services, Nottinghamshire. County Council and Chair of the Nottinghamshire Public Service Compact, and Chris Donkin, Compact Facilitator will attend the meeting to discuss and answer questions about public sector apprenticeships in Nottinghamshire. The Compact brings together a range of public sector employers to discuss common workforce issues, these include recruitment and retention, learning and workforce development.
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Recommendations

6. It is recommended that the Apprenticeships Review committee:
- consider and ask questions about the information provided to the Committee and discuss any issues arising from the presentation
 - consider issues where the Select Committee may require additional information and agree any areas around the future work programme.

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Background papers:
Nil