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REPORT OF THE HEAD OF 14-19 STRATEGY

Nottinghamshire 14-19 Plan 2009/10

Purpose of report

1. This report introduces the 14-19 Plan for 2009/10 (draft **attached**) agreed by the 14-19 Partnership on 12 February 2009 and which will form the 14-19 element of the Children and Young Peoples Plan.

Information and advice

Background

2. At present there is no statutory obligation to produce a separate 14-19 Plan. However, DCSF guidance on '14-19 Partnerships and Planning', published in January 2009, outlined an expectation that Partnerships should have an overarching Plan that identifies the Children and Young People's 14-19 strategy and priorities and enables the monitoring and evaluation of progress to take place.
3. The Plan will significantly influence the commissioning strategy of the Learning and Skills Council in Nottinghamshire in 2009/10. Additionally, Machinery of Government Changes (MOG) will be implemented during the period to which this plan applies. This will see, from April 2010, the functions related to the 16-19 age group transferred from the LSC to the County and City Councils, which will be the sub-regional grouping to commission provision from 2010/11.
4. This is the second 14-19 Plan, covering the period from August 2009 to July 2010. It has been informed by providers and key stakeholders through a consultation process and review of the current plan, as well as reflecting national and regional priorities. It sets out an agenda for a range of partners, acting collectively and individually, to deliver the changes that need to take place with regard to the Government's 14-19 reforms and preparation for the 2013 entitlement.
5. By 2013 all young people should have access to the four qualification routes of Diplomas, General Qualifications (GCSEs and A Levels),

Apprenticeships and the Foundation Learning Tier. This entitlement and the raising of the participation age to 17 in 2013 and 18 in 2015 became a statutory requirement following the passing of the Education and Skills Act in November 2008.

6. There are 8 key priorities identified through local analysis and consultation and by national policies. Each priority has objectives, actions and targets and these will form the basis of revised action plans at a district level through the Area Strategy Groups (ASGs). To facilitate the monitoring and evaluation of progress made, officers from the LSC and County Council, on behalf of the 14-19 Partnership, will work to co-ordinate the delivery of the plan working with ASGs and other members of the Partnership.
7. The 14-19 Plan will link to the plans of other partner organisations, such as Connexions, Nottinghamshire Education & Business Alliance and Aimhigher. It will also link to other LSC, County Council and Partnership plans, such as those designed to deliver the outcomes of Every Child Matters, and the Local Area Agreement. Some of the outcomes and targets will be shared by one or more of these plans, particularly where they are taken from the National Indicator Set.

RECOMMENDATION

8. It is recommended that the Board agrees to the incorporation of the Nottinghamshire 14-19 Plan for 2009/10 within the new Children and Young People's Plan.

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