



ADULT SERVICES AND HEALTH COMMISSION 28 May 2008

Report of the Director of Corporate and Adult Social Services

Adult Learning Service Course Fees 2008/09

RECOMMENDATION

- 1.1 To consider and comment on the proposed Adult Learning Service Course Fees for 2008/09.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 2.1 The Adult Learning Service delivers a wide range of adult learning courses from a variety of premises across the city. It is mainly funded by the Learning and Skills Council (LSC) and therefore its courses need to reflect LSC priorities. In 2007/08 it received £2.983m from the LSC, however this is expected to be reduced by approximately 10% this year. The overall cost of delivering the courses is supplemented with student fees. No direct funding is provided by the City Council.
- 2.2 The LSC Adult Learning Service proposes new rates of fees that comply with LSC national guidance for accredited vocational courses. Certain groups such as 16-18 year old and those on benefits are given remission on course fees. The attached report from the Corporate Director for Children and Young People gives details of the new rates to be charged from September 2008.
- 2.3 Members are asked to consider and comment on the proposals.

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Background papers: None
List of appendices: Appendix 1 – Implications
Appendix 2 – Council Cabinet Report on Adult Learning Service Course Fees 2008-09

Appendix 1

IMPLICATIONS

Financial

1. The new fees will generate an income of £240k during 2008/09 which is required to provide the current range of courses.

Legal

2. None Directly.

Personnel

3. Some ALS staff may be affected by the potential reduction in number of learners.

Equalities impact

4. Fee remissions are designed to help people on low incomes and encourage those with specific needs to participate.

Corporate Priorities

5. This report links with Council's priority of supporting everyone in learning and achieving.