

Ofsted Inspection of Derby Adult Learning Service

SUMMARY

- 1.1 Derby City Council Adult Learning Service was inspected by Ofsted between 7th -11th February 2011
- 1.2 The service was graded as Good with Outstanding Aspects

RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 To note the main findings of the inspection

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 The Adult Learning Service has improved since the last Ofsted inspection in 2007 from Satisfactory to Good
- 3.2 Amongst the key points in its report Ofsted stated:
 - All aspects of provision are good and in work based learning they are outstanding.
 - The programmes are closely aligned to the council's strategic priorities.
 - It provides particularly good value for money.
 - The service works particularly effectively in partnership with other council departments and organisations in Derby including employers and the probation service".

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 4.1 The Outstanding grade (Grade 1) was awarded to all aspects of the Learning for Qualifications in Employment. The majority of learners in this area are Derby City Council employees who are studying NVQ qualifications in Health and Social Care, Information Communication Technology or Business Skills

4.2 The following three contributory aspects were also graded as outstanding:

- How well learners improve their economic and social wellbeing through learning and development
- How well partnerships with schools, employers, community groups and others lead to benefits for learners
- How efficiently and effectively the provider uses its available resources to secure value for money

4.3 The Adult Learning Service enrolls approximately 4000 adults on to courses annually.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

5.1 Not Applicable

This report has been approved by the following officers:

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IMPLICATIONS

Financial

- 1.1 The Adult Learning Service will continue to receive funding from the Skills Funding Agency and the Young People's Learning Agency

Legal

- 2.1 none

Personnel

- 3.1 none

Equalities Impact

- 4.1 none

Health and Safety

- 5.1 none

Carbon commitment

- 6.1 None

Value for money

- 7.1 none

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

- 8.1 All people in Derby will enjoy achieving their learning potential