



Report to Policy Committee

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Report of: *Andrew Jones, Director of Children's Services*

Report to: *Economic Development and Skills Policy Committee meeting*

Date of Decision: *No decision required – for information 13th September, 2023*

Subject: *Lifelong Learning and Skills OFSTED report May 2023*

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Purpose of Report:

This report is to highlight the positive outcome of the recent OFSTED inspection of the Lifelong Learning and Skills Service which took place in May 2023.

Lifelong Learning and Skills delivers the following provision to learners in Sheffield:

- Study Programme provision to young people with complex additional needs (High Needs) through Sheaf Training (aged 16-24)
- Family, Adult and Community Education through FACES
- Apprenticeship Provision

The report was published on 23 August 2023 and OFSTED have determined that Lifelong Learning and Skills is a Good service overall with some Outstanding areas. The findings across the seven areas that are subject to inspection are as follows:

The Quality of Education: Good

Behaviour and Attitudes: Outstanding
Personal Development: Good
Leadership and Management: Good
Adult Learning Programmes: Outstanding
Apprenticeships: Good
Provision for Learners with High Needs: Outstanding

This is the first time that the Council's Lifelong Learning and Skills provision has achieved outstanding areas within an OFSTED inspection, and we are proud of this achievement and what it means for the people of Sheffield who we support.

Recommendations:

The Committee is recommended to note this report, which is provided for information purposes.

Background Papers:

Copy of the OFSTED Inspection report published on 23/08/23