

**SOUTH EAST ENGLAND REGIONAL ASSEMBLY
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Date: 14 December 2007

Subject: **Learning and Skills Council Regional Commissioning Plan
Covering Report to Presentation**

Report of: Learning and Skills Council

Recommendation:

That the Committee notes the Statement of Priorities which will be used to inform the Learning and Skills Council (LSC) South East Regional Commissioning Plan.

Purpose of Report:

The Regional Director of the LSC will make a presentation to this Committee to inform members of the national Statement of Priorities and emerging key messages.

Key Issues:

- The LSC published the Statement of Priorities in November 2007 (www.lsc.gov.uk).
- **Strategic analysis** - A Strategic Analysis for the South East region was produced and published at the beginning of November. An analysis is produced each year to provide a comprehensive understanding of the region's learning and skills needs and of the wider social and economic context. The analysis provides an evidential base for the regional commissioning plan and informs the development and implementation of regional priorities for the year 2008/09 (for a copy please contact beth.carpenter@lsc.gov.uk).
- **Consultation and next steps** - We are now in the process of using the Statement of Priorities and our Strategic Analysis to shape our emerging priorities for 2008/09. We would invite members to discuss. A first draft consultation plan will be published on 21st December with the final version planned for publication mid January.

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