

LEARNING AND SKILLS COUNCIL GREATER MANCHESTER

Minutes of the eighteenth meeting of the LSC Greater Manchester Council held on Tuesday, 4 November 2003, at Arndale House, Arndale Centre, at 16.00 hrs.

Present:

Members	Anthony Goldstone Rachael Charlton Liz Davis Richard Guy Richard Hurst Abdul Jabbar Alan Manning John Merry David Page Kath Rigby David Seddon Ray Short Michele Sutton Mollie Temple Chris Woodcock	Chair Executive Director (ED)
Observers	Nigel Burke - GO North West Fiona Mellett – Chamber Business Enterprises Hannah Roberts – Connexions Service	
In attendance:	Jane Bracewell, Director of Strategy and Quality(DQI) Andrew Harrison, Director of Finance and Corporate Services (DFCS) Ian Lever, Director of External Relations (DER) Debra Woodruff, Director of Operations (DO) Hilary Peel, Area Manager for Stockport and Tameside (to agenda item 3)	
Clerk to the Council	Jean Johnson	
Apologies	Pauline Green	
Observers:	Linda Tomlinson – Job Centre Plus	

The chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Chair introduced Michelle Ford, Area Manager for Oldham and Rochdale and Clive Dickens, Area Manager for Salford and Trafford, with responsibility for Learning Partnerships.

207. Minutes of 2 September 2003 meeting

The minutes of the 2 September 2003 meeting were **accepted** as an accurate record and signed.

208. Paper 60/2003 - Matters arising

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208. Other matters arising were dealt with in the circulated paper.

STRATEGIC ITEMS

209. Presentation from Oldham Area Team on Their Work

209.1 Council received a presentation from Michelle Ford, Area Manager for Oldham and Rochdale on the work LSC Greater Manchester was doing in Oldham.

209.2 Council then discussed

209.3 Chair thanked Michelle for her presentation which had given Council a good insight into what was being achieved in Oldham.

209.4 Council **noted** the report.

210. Paper 62/2003 – Update on Progress in Developing a Greater Manchester Ufl Hub

210.1 Director of Operations introduced paper 62/2003,

210.2 Chair invited questions and comments. In discussion the following points were made:

210.3 Council **received** the report.

211. Paper 63/2003 – Review of Learning Partnerships

211.1 Clive Dickens introduced paper 63/2003.

211.2 In general discussion the following points were raised:

211.4 Council **agreed** the following points for incorporation into the response:

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ACTION: CD to include in response to the consultation.

ITEMS FOR DECISION

212. Paper 64/2003 – Local Youth Strategy

212.1 Chair of Young People's Learning Committee introduced paper 64/2003 and invited questions and comments.

212.2 In general discussion the following points were raised.

212.3 Council **approved** the Youth Strategy and **agreed** that future plans would reflect the additional actions and activities as outlined in the strategy.

213. Bolton Areas Review

213.1 Chair welcomed Dr Terry Melia to the meeting and invited him to give his presentation on this item.

213.2 After his presentation, Dr Melia invited questions and comments.

213.3 The following points were discussed:

213.4 Chair thanked Dr Melia for attending the meeting.

213.5 Council **agreed????**

214. Paper 66/2003 - Alliance for Skills and Productivity Business Plan

214.1 Ian Lever, Director of External Relations, introduced paper 66/2003.

214.2 In discussion the following points were raised:

215. Paper 67/2003 - Chair's Report

215.1 Chair drew attention to para

215.2 Council **received** the report.

216. Paper 68/2003 – Executive Director's Report

216.1 Executive Director drew attention to the following areas of her report:

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216.2 Council **received** the Executive Director's report on national, regional and local developments.

217. Paper 69/2003 – Finance Director's Report

217.1 Finance Director drew Council's attention to

217.2 Council **noted** the report on expenditure against allocations for the first 6 months of the 2003/04 financial year.

218. Reports From Advisory Committees

219. Any Other Business

None raised.

220. Dates of Next Meetings

The next meetings of Council would take place on Information, Advice and Guidance (IAG) and Tuesday, 13 January 2004 preceded by a briefing session on and Tuesday, 2 March 2004, preceded by a briefing session on workforce development.

A Strategy Day with an overnight stay would be held on 16/17 December at the Palace Hotel, Buxton. Chair encouraged as many members as possible to the event.