

Report to: Leeds City Region Enterprise Partnership Board (LEP Board)

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Subject: Inclusive Growth and Public Policy Panel Update

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1. Purpose

1.1 To provide an update of the first meeting of the Inclusive Growth and Public Policy Panel (IGPPP) which took place on the 4 September 2018.

2. Information

- 2.1 Governance arrangements and terms of reference of the Panel were presented, outlining that the Panel is an advisory committee to the Combined Authority which also reports to the LEP Board.
- 2.2 Membership of the Panel was discussed. The Panel is chaired by Councillor Shabir Pandor and the Combined Authority has appointed a co-opted member from each West Yorkshire partner council. The current membership of the Panel is, however, still considered provisional in terms of non-West Yorkshire local authorities, private sector and non-voting advisory members. Proposals for wider membership were discussed and individuals will be approached. Further changes may be relevant in the context of the LEP review if the geography of the LEP changes.
- 2.3 Achievements of the Inclusive Growth Project were presented to the Panel to provide information about programmes related to inclusive growth led by West Yorkshire districts.
- 2.4 A presentation on 'Business and Inclusive Employment' highlighted strong relationships between health, living standards and productivity.
- 2.5 A discussion around the future work programme of the Panel took place which will be further developed and progressed at the next meeting. Members were keen to focus on inclusive growth projects at a West Yorkshire level as these are likely to have the greatest impact. Considerable work has been done and will continue to be done on a district level. Thematic areas to be included in the forward plan include:
 - TUC 'Great Jobs'

- High quality apprenticeships in the public sector
- Getting everyone online to reduce digital exclusion
- 2.6 The Panel will meet quarterly, with the next meeting scheduled for 4 December 2018.

3. Financial Implications

3.1 There are no implications associated with this paper.

4. Legal Implications

4.1 There are no implications associated with this paper.

5. Staffing Implications

5.1 There are no implications associated with this paper.

6. External Consultees

6.1 No external consultations have been undertaken.

7. Recommendations

7.1 That the LEP Board note the summary of the first Panel meeting.

8. Background Documents

8.1 None.

9. Appendices

9.1 None.