

West Yorkshire Lifelong Learning Network

External Evaluation

1. Background

1.1. At the last meeting, the Board was presented with an update of the range of evaluation tools that are used with the Lifelong Learning Networks. Since then HEFCE has produced new documentation to be used in undertaking the annual review. The review will be signed off at the September meeting of the Management Board. This paper reports on the progress made with the external evaluation of the project.

2. Appointment of Evaluators

2.1. Under the University of Huddersfield's tendering procedures, tenders were invited from ten individuals/organisations; seven were received. They were

- Carsington Consultants
- CFE
- Jeanne Booth
- Lilian Black
- Madeleine King
- Sarah Parkinson
- York Consulting

2.2. All had substantial experience of carrying out project evaluation and most, but not all, had experience of Lifelong Learning Networks.

2.3. At the time of writing, the tenders are being assessed by three members of the Board including the Director. The final decision will be made in conjunction with the PVC for Teaching and Learning at the accountable body. The outcomes of this process will be presented verbally at this Board meeting for endorsement.