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ADULTS AND HEALTH SCRUTINY PANEL

30 November 2017

RALSS SELF ASSESSMENT REPORT

Report of the Director for People

Strategic Aim: R	eaching our Full Potential		
Exempt Information		No	
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DECISION RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Panel:

 Notes the arrangements and progress for post 16 provision by Rutland Adult Learning and Skills Service in partnership with Peterborough Regional College.

1 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 To inform Scrutiny Panel of the impact of the work of RALSS

2 BACKGROUND AND MAIN CONSIDERATIONS

- 2.1 Rutland Adult Learning and Skills Service (RALSS) produces an Annual Report, which also acts as a self-assessment report (SAR) in line with the requirements of both the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESfA) and Ofsted.
- 2.2 All data referred to in this report relates solely to the academic year 2016/17 unless otherwise stated.
- 2.3 RALSS continues to have success rates significantly higher than both the national average and statistical neighbours.
- 2.4 RALSS is playing an increased role in both 16-18 and SEND activities for Rutland and is key within the success of Rutland County Council's Education Framework

2017-20.

- 2.5 RALSS is funded directly from the ESfA and has operated in the black showing a small surplus from external funding.
- 2.6 RALSS has strong links to the employer base and is the primary provider of apprenticeships within Rutland.
- 2.7 RALSS is graded as Good by Ofsted.

3 CONCLUSION AND SUMMARY OF REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 Due to the timing of the report, which takes place at the end of the academic year, it is primarily reflective of the previous years' activities and as such provides a retrospective view of the progress of the service in addition to the actions undertaken to maintain continuous improvement.
- 3.2 The Annual Report draws together a range of reviews, data, views and judgements, to celebrate our successes as well as to identify emerging issues and areas for improvement (as identified from quality monitoring processes). It is a key management tool in highlighting and supporting continuous improvement.

4 BACKGROUND PAPERS

4.1 There are no additional background papers to the report.

5 APPENDICES

5.1 Appendix A – RALSS Annual Report (SAR) 2016/17

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