



- Other Elected Members  .....
- Cabinet Member  Cllr Richard Grant – *“agree recommendations”*
- Chief Executive  .....
- Legal  Jane Pollard / Richard Freeth – *“fine”*
- Finance  David Clarke, County Treasurer – *“fine”*
- Other Chief Officers  .....
- District Councils  .....
- Health Authority  .....
- Police  .....
- Other Bodies/Individuals  All 14-19 providers in Northern Warwickshire including schools, college and work-based training providers  
Students in Years 11 and 13  
Students in work-based training across Coventry and Warwickshire

**FINAL DECISION** **YES**

**SUGGESTED NEXT STEPS:**

Details to be specified

- Further consideration by this Committee  .....
- To Council  .....
- To Cabinet  .....
- To an O & S Committee  .....
- To an Area Committee  .....
- Further Consultation  .....

**The Cabinet – 28<sup>th</sup> April 2005**

**North Warwickshire and Nuneaton & Bedworth –  
Area Review of 14-19 Provision**

**Report of the County Education Officer**

**Recommendations:**

- (1) That the Cabinet consider and comment on the Action Plan prepared jointly by the Local Learning & Skills Council and the County Council in response to the Area Review of 14-19 Provision.
- (2) That the comments of the Cabinet and those of the North Warwickshire and Nuneaton & Bedworth Area Committees on the Area Review and Action Plan be forwarded to the Local Learning & Skills Council.

**1. Background**

- 1.1 The Cabinet will recall that the Local Learning & Skills Council (LLSC) and the County Council jointly commissioned a review of 14-19 provision in North Warwickshire and Nuneaton & Bedworth. The outcomes of the Review were considered by both the Cabinet and the North Warwickshire and Nuneaton & Bedworth area Committees.
- 1.2 An Action Plan has now been prepared which seeks to respond to the recommendations of the Review and the comments of the Cabinet and Area Committees. The Plan is attached at **Appendix A** for Cabinet Members only. The Plan can be viewed on the Committee Administration System and on the Warwickshire Web). The proposed Action Plan has been the subject of wide consultation with schools, colleges and training providers, and other stakeholders, including the Department of Libraries, Heritage & Trading Standards (LHTS). It has also been cross-referenced with the Lifelong Learning Strategy prepared by LHTS and considered by the Area Committees in January 2004.
- 1.3 The proposed Action Plan was discussed at the Nuneaton & Bedworth Area Committee meeting on 23<sup>rd</sup> March and received that Committee's support.

- 1.4 It was also discussed at the North Warwickshire Area Committee meeting on 30<sup>th</sup> March when attention was drawn to the point that, due to the nature of the North Warwickshire area and in order to fill gaps and make better provision, the proposed Action Plan emphasised collaboration and joint working with Nuneaton & Bedworth as well as areas outside the county such as Tamworth.

After discussion, the Area Committee then recommended that the following comments be forwarded to the Cabinet and the LLSC:

- Members agreed that the report was very good, but that in order to avoid confusion the use of acronyms should be limited as far as possible.
- Members agreed that where behavioural problems were detrimental to other pupils, this disruption was unacceptable but it was important to bring these children back into the system when the time was right.
- Members were encouraged to see the profile of modern apprenticeships being raised.

## **2. The way forward**

- 2.1 The Cabinet is asked to consider and comment on the proposed Action Plan.
- 2.2 The views of the Cabinet and those of the Area Committees on the Review and the proposed Action Plan will be forwarded to the LLSC.

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