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Report title: Life-Long Learning and Belonging Strategic Plan	
Report to: People and Families Policy and Scrutiny Committee	
Report author: Graham Hughes, Senior Democratic Services Officer	
Date: 9 March 2023	For: Consideration and identifying any follow-up scrutiny actions
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County Divisions affected: Not applicable	

1. Introduction

This item has been requested by the Cabinet Member who invites comment and discussion (see Background below).

2. Action required

The Committee is asked to consider:

- (i) The attached update; and
- (ii) Identify any follow-up scrutiny actions

3. Background

- 3.1 The PAF is invited to make comments and observations on the draft Lifelong Learning and Belonging Strategy which includes the increasing focus on preparing and equipping people for work and the increasing collaboration of Education and Skills teams in connection with this.
- 3.2 The Lifelong Learning and Belonging Strategy is a separate agenda item to the Adult Community Learning Strategy whilst recognising that they are linked and there could be some crossover in discussions.

4. Update and Next Steps

The update is attached in the Appendix to this report. Next steps are as proposed under Action Required.

Expected attendees to support the discussion:

County Councillor Tony Ball, Cabinet Member for Education Excellence, Life-

Life-Long Learning and Belonging Strategic Plan

Long Learning and Employability

Ruth Gilbert - Head of Employability & Skills

Anita Kemp - Head of Strategy Planning and Performance

5 Appendix

Briefing Paper – PAF Scrutiny Committee: Lifelong Learning and Belonging (LLLB)- Strategic Approach

Power Point presentation - Lifelong Learning & Belonging Strategic Plan: People and Families Scrutiny Committee 9th March 2023