

14-19 STAKEHOLDER WORKSHOP – Friday, 30th JANUARY 2009

Background

The White Paper, *Raising Expectations: Enabling the System to Deliver*, will, subject to legislation, place a statutory duty on local authorities from 2010 for the commissioning and funding of education and training for all 16 - 18 year olds.

Local Authorities are required to work collaboratively in Sub-Regional Groupings, reflecting travel to learn patterns and building on existing relationships and cross-boundary partnership working, in order to achieve a workable model for the future commissioning of 16 – 18 education and training. County Durham has proposed and received initial approval to develop a Sub-Regional Grouping based upon county boundaries. A copy of the County Durham Statement of Intent is attached, for your information.

The next steps involve developing a more detailed proposal on how the County Durham Sub-Regional Grouping will deliver the 14-19 reform programme through our plans for 16-19 commissioning.

To assist in the development of this proposal, a stakeholder workshop is being held for key partners.

Venue

Durham Leadership Centre (Neville Hall), Enterprise Way, Spennymoor, DL16 6YP 9.00 – 12.30 finishing with lunch.

Purpose

The purpose of the conference is to enable you to contribute to the development of the proposed County Durham Sub-Regional Grouping and to debate any issues, concerns and views you may have regarding the implications of the proposals outlined in *Raising Expectations: Enabling the System to Deliver*.

Joining Instructions

Joining Instructions and further information is available from Mary Atkinson

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Below are key documents to review in advance of the workshop:

Raising Expectations: Enabling the System to Deliver Summary -

Sub-Regional Groupings and Development Process: Stage Two Guidance