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<b>Date:</b>	20 June 2018
<b>Executive Member/Reporting Officer:</b>	Councillor Leanne Feeley – Executive Member (Lifelong Learning) James Thomas – Interim Director (Children’s Services)
<b>Subject:</b>	<b>ADULT COMMUNITY EDUCATION OFSTED INSPECTION 2018 OUTCOME</b>
<b>Report Summary:</b>	This report provides an update to Executive Board on the performance of Adult Community Education in the Ofsted Inspection which took place on 26 February to 1 March. The service has moved up a grade to ‘2’ or ‘Good’ from ‘3’ or ‘Requires Improvement’.
<b>Recommendations:</b>	Executive Cabinet is requested to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Note and comment on this report.</li> <li>2. Approve this report to proceed to Executive Cabinet.</li> </ol>
<b>Links To Community Strategy:</b>	Prosperous and Learning Tameside
<b>Policy Implications:</b>	Tameside is below the GM average for residents with qualifications at Levels 1 and 2. Addressing this gap will support economic growth, productivity and wages in the borough. The strength and effectiveness of our local provision will support improved outcomes.
<b>Financial Implications: (Authorised By Section 151 Officer)</b>	There are no direct financial implications as a result of this report.
<b>Legal Implications: (Authorised By The Borough Solicitor)</b>	This is a pleasing and important report in terms of setting out improved performance. The next steps will be to have a strategy and implementation plan to be in the top quartile and to understand how to achieve that within reducing budget and achieving value for money.
<b>Risk Management:</b>	Review and performance management of the Service is essential to ensuring high quality provision.
<b>Access To Information:</b>	<b>Appendix 1 – Inspection Report</b>  The background papers relating to this report can be inspected by contacting the report writer, David Berry, Head of Employment and Skills by: <div>  Telephone: 0161 342 2246 <div>  e-mail: <a href="mailto:david.berry@tameside.gov.uk">david.berry@tameside.gov.uk</a> </div> </div>

## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The Tameside Adult Community Education (ACE) service was inspected by Ofsted on the 26 February to 1 March 2018. Our provision has been judged as '2' or 'Good' moving up from our previous inspection grade of '3' or 'Requires Improvement' when last inspected in April 2016. This is an excellent outcome for the service, council, partner, learners and residents and is reflective of the hard work and improvements made by the service since the last inspection. The Ofsted Report is attached at **Appendix 1**.
- 1.2 Tameside ACE is a key service within the Council, responsible for delivering Adult and Community Education. Each year we educate and support over 700 learners, helping them to move into employment, volunteering opportunities and further study. In the academic year 16/17, enrolments totalled 1,342. The Service is financially strong.
- 1.3 It is important to acknowledge that 74% of all learners are from the top 30% of the most deprived areas in Tameside. Therefore, an area of strength is our ability to engage and support the hardest to reach learners, building their self-esteem and confidence to help them reach their potential.
- 1.4 As a service, our aims are set out in our Strategy and Outstanding Teaching and Learning documents:
- Reduce the proportion of adults who have poor English, maths and ICT skills.
  - Support residents in the borough in developing a range of skills for everyday life.
  - Improve the employment rate of the borough.
  - Provide parents and carers with the knowledge and skills to raise the attainment of children in their care.

## 2.0 INSPECTION OUTCOME

- 2.1 The table below sets out our current and previous inspection grades. Ofsted found that effective leadership and management since the last inspection had been a key driver for improvement of teaching, learning, assessment and outcomes.

	<b>Current Grade 2018</b>	<b>Previous Grade 2016</b>	<b>Direction of Travel</b>
Overall effectiveness	2 / Good	3 / Requires Improvement	
Effectiveness of leadership and management	2 / Good	3 / Requires Improvement	
Outcomes for learners	2 / Good	3 / Requires Improvement	
Quality of teaching, learning and assessment	2 / Good	3 / Requires Improvement	
Personal development, behaviour and welfare	2 / Good	3 / Requires Improvement	
Adult Learning Programmes	2/ Good	3 / Requires Improvement	

## 3.0 NEXT STEPS

- 3.1 ACE will pursue continual improvement and is aiming to be a Grade '1' or 'Outstanding' service within the next three years with the next formal inspection due in 2021.
- 3.2 We intend to use the improvement in grade to market the service to residents and partners to grow our provision.

## **4.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

4.1 See recommendations on the front of the report.