LIFELONG LEARNING SCRUTINY SUB-COMMITTEE

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PART I - RECOMMENDATIONS

RECOMMENDATION 1 - Progress Reports on Reviews - Members' Verbal Updates

Your Sub-Committee discussed the progress of its review of exclusions.

Members were concerned to note that an external review of exclusions was being undertaken by a consultant in parallel with the scrutiny review. They expressed concern that the Sub-Committee had not been made aware of the external review before it had prepared a scoping report for the scrutiny review. The Chair suggested that a recommendation be made to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee requesting the introduction of procedures designed to avoid duplication of work and a further breakdown of communication.

RESOLVED To RECOMMEND:

That the Overview and Scrutiny Committee explore further procedures to ensure more effective communication between the Directorates and the Scrutiny function.

(See also Minute 193(b)).

12 JANUARY 2005