

Item No.	Classification: Open	Date: 23 October 2013	Meeting Name: Education, Children's Services and Leisure Scrutiny Sub-Committee
Report title:		Apprenticeships scheme participant numbers and gender ratios	
Ward(s) or groups affected:		All	
From:		Strategy & Partnerships Manager	

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Education, Children's Services and Leisure Scrutiny Sub-Committee note the update provided below.

UPDATE

2. At the cabinet member interview the committee requested an update on the number of young people involved in apprenticeships, including schemes agreed with the construction industry as a result of council contracts. They also requested a breakdown of the ratios of male and female participants.

Apprenticeships through Section 106

3. The Council works with developers through S106 agreements to encourage the delivery of apprenticeships on construction sites in the borough. While delivery of these apprenticeships is not under the direct control of the Council, officers can influence developers and contractors through the planning process to set aspirational targets and promote opportunities locally. The most recent snapshot of apprenticeship numbers reported on sites where S106 agreements are in place shows that 46 apprentices are employed through 6 live construction sites. A further 28 vacancies are being advertised.
4. The Council's current monitoring arrangements do not capture the age and gender of these apprentices.
5. A summary overview of Southwark's Apprentice Scheme is attached at appendix one.

APPENDICES

Appendix 1	Southwark Apprentice Scheme – Summary Overview
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AUDIT TRAIL

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Cabinet Member	No	No
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