**Suggested City Executive Board response to the recommendation of the Scrutiny Committee on Apprentices**

**Provided by the Board Member for Young People, Schools and Skills**

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| ***Recommendation*** | ***Agreed? (Y / N / In part)*** | ***Comment*** |
| 1. That consideration is given to extending the eligibility criteria for apprenticeships beyond the OX1 to OX4 postcode areas but with a preference for appointing applicants with these postcodes. | Agreed | The apprenticeship recruitment campaign will be extended to cover applicants who live in Abingdon, Witney,Bicester,Didcot and Kidlington areas so that the apprentices will be a better reflection of the Oxfordshire labour market. Preference will be given to applicants who live in OX1- OX4. |

Please note that additional Scrutiny Committee recommendations on apprentices are expected to be submitted to the City executive Board meeting on 14 July 2016.