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Dear Colleagues

As you are aware following on from our conversations and the consultation which took place last term we are now in a position to establish the Locality Boards which will then lead into the establishment of the Learning Trust. In order for these to work we need your support please. I have enclosed the Terms of Reference which are just a starter and I'm sure will be adapted during the first couple of meetings but we have to start somewhere!

The Locality Boards will focus on areas which have an impact on the specific locality, this could be for example early years, disadvantaged groups and / or post 16. The Learning Trust will focus on areas which have an impact on the entire County.

I am now asking for your involvement please. This whole piece of work will not succeed unless Headteacher colleagues are prepared to become members of the Boards and we are now at the point of asking for nominations. This is a strong move towards a Sector-led model with Headteachers leading these meetings but in order to do this we need your engagement. The Locality Boards will meet 6 times a year and the work outside the Boards will be minimal, I envisage more through communication of key messages to others in the locality.

I am also proposing that there is a first meeting of all Locality Boards on the morning of the 14 May held in Northallerton for a launch and discussion about how the Boards could work. The first meeting of each locality board I would suggest is the afternoon of the next PLN (to be renamed Partnership meeting) in each locality. It would be great if the agenda for these could be jointly planned with the Locality Board and the LA and also jointly delivered.

It is really important that we have Headteachers of small schools part of the Boards however recognise the challenges which are faced coming out of school. To enable this to happen if colleagues are willing to be part of the Boards we will fund supply costs for the time out of school.

As requested by some Headteachers the constitution of the Boards have been made bespoke to the areas to gain the 'best representation' possible however this may need to alter as the Boards get established.

Once we're 'up and running' all the above can be reviewed, as an LA we are trying to facilitate the move to the new model for partnership working not 'run' it!

If you are interested in becoming part of a locality board and I really hope you will be could you please let me know by Friday 12 April 2019. Could you please say in your correspondence which type of representative you would be interested in and on which Locality Board.

Please email this information to [Judith.kirk@northyorks.gov.uk](mailto:Judith.kirk@northyorks.gov.uk) and please do not hesitate to contact Judith if you want to talk anything through on 01609 532843. I look forward to hearing from you.

Best wishes.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Judith Kirk', written in a cursive style.

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