

6 COMMUNITY LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT IN ARDLER, CHARLESTON AND LOCHEE - A REPORT BY H M INSPECTORATE OF EDUCATION (AN 62-2002)

The above inspection took place in January and February 2002. The Inspectors observed sessions of work on 24 occasions and carried out 49 interviews with staff, members of relevant organisations and participants in activities.

The inspectors used 43 quality indicators during this inspection. The area of inspection was awarded 5 top grades (very good), and 34 second top grades (good). Inspection reports now include sections highlighting best practice. This report contains no fewer than 8 best practice boxes covering work with young people, adult learning guidance and use of I.C.T, and neighbourhood regeneration work.

The report scores four areas of work as fair but these are mainly related to a city-wide decision to delay the updating of local targets and quality assurance measures whilst the new community learning plans were being introduced. No area of work was judged to be unsatisfactory.

The Inspectors' report represents a very satisfactory measure of achievement during a period of major staff reviews and significant work development in the area of inspection.