Planning & Modelling System 2008/09 – Status as at 2/1/08

Latest Update on PaM 2008/09:

a) Provider Factors – the refresh of provider factors planned for 11 December 2007 has been delayed due to technical challenges in the production of the factors. They will be updated as soon as possible, and a notice posted on the web site. Provider factors will be updated as new ILR data is submitted, they will be updated in bulk in the PaM system on the following dates:
   - 16 or 18 January 2008

Providers should be encouraged to submit their collections in a timely manner in order to ensure that their provider factors are updated accordingly. In particular, in order to fit in with the above schedule of refreshes, providers should submit their FE data along the following timescales:
   - 6 January 2007
   - 8 February 2007

(Note: WBL collections are already complete).

b) Funding rates – PaM holds National Funding Rates for demand led funding together with Transitional Funding Rates specific to each provider. Work continues on finalising these rates, therefore they cannot yet be published within the system. As soon as the rates are determined, they will be loaded into PaM and will be immediately visible to providers and LSC users.

c) Historic Data (via View Actuals):
   - Standard Learner Numbers (SLNs) for Employer Responsive funding model for historic years were populated in PaM on 11th December 2007
   - An error has been identified in the TOTAL ADULT LEARNER field in the SSOA, in that learners who are on both employer AND learner responsive provision are being counted as 2 separate learners - therefore over-counting the true total adult learner numbers. We plan to correct this error in the next release of PAM on 18 January 2008.

d) Reports within PaM: these are being sourced this year from the Strategic Reporting Platform. The following reports are available in PaM:
   - Mix of Provision report
   - FE Minimum Levels of Performance Report
   - WBL Minimum Levels of Performance Report
   - 5 FE Performance Reports.

Other reports are being developed by the Strategic Reporting Platform team and will be implemented within PaM as soon as the data has been thoroughly checked.