

PERTH AND KINROSS COUNCIL

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COMMUNITY PLANNING ECONOMY AND LIFELONG LEARNING GROUP
BRIEFING PAPER

Joint Report by Executive Director (Environment) and
Executive Director (Education and Children's Services)

This briefing provides an update on the activities of the Community Planning Economy and Lifelong Learning Outcome Delivery Group.

1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The group is tasked with delivering the following Community Planning Local Outcomes outlined in the Single Outcome Agreement:-
- People are Ready for Life and Work
 - Thriving, Expanding Economy
 - Employment Opportunities for All
- 1.2 The group have now held five formal meetings, and a number of workshops to develop the new Outcome Delivery Plan (ODP) which will assist us to deliver the SOA outcomes highlighted above. The revised ODP was approved by the CPP Board on the 28 November 2014.

2. UPDATE

- 2.1 The group last met on 6th February 2015 where the following items were discussed.
- 2.2 **Visit Scotland**
Visit Scotland provided a presentation on their work to promote Perth and Kinross as a tourist destination. This included details of the contribution tourism makes to the local economy.
- 2.3 **PKAVS**
PKAVS provided a presentation on their contribution to Economy and Lifelong Learning with a particular emphasis on volunteering as a route into employment, and the role the 3rd sector plays as an employer in Perth and Kinross.

2.4 **Developing Scotland's Young Workforce**

An update was provided on the work of the short life sub groups examining The Commission for Developing Scotland's Young Workforce. This sub group last met in December 2014 and agreed to review our current activities in this area. They have established 4 short life working groups to map current activities and outcomes across the four main areas of Schools activity, Modern Apprenticeships, College activity and Employer Engagement.

2.5 **Joint Resourcing**

The group were briefed on the ongoing work in East Perthshire on Joint Resourcing. CPP agreed three interlinked joint resourcing priorities as the initial focus for joint resourcing arrangements, there were:

- Workless Households in Blairgowrie/Ratray;
- Business Growth and Support (including business start-ups and social enterprise); and
- Employer Engagement.

The CPPEOG further progressed joint resourcing arrangements at a second workshop held on 30 January 2015. This workshop focused upon the workless households theme, allowing the Group to discuss the 'lived experience' of a workless household in Ratray and consider collaborative outcomes and measures of success. From the workshop, CPPEOG have agreed an outline action plan to identify: the outcome and impact; high level impact measures; what needs to happen to implement the vision; what do we need to do to make things happen; what we should stop doing; what resources will most efficiently carry out the actions required; what will they cost; what are the risks; how will we manage risks; and how will we monitor benefits and effectiveness. An update on joint resourcing progress was submitted to the CPP Board on 13 February 2015.

2.6 **Employability Pipeline ESF**

The group received an update on the development of a CPP Employability Pipeline bid for ESF funding. Although some details around the funding mechanisms remain unclear, it is still hoped that we will submit a bid by the next deadline of the 9th of March.