



Kickstart Scheme

To: Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority Board

Meeting Date: 25 November 2020

Public report: Yes

Lead Member: Austen Adams, Chair of the Business Board

From: John T Hill, Director of Business and Skills

Key decision: Yes

Forward Plan ref: KD2020/066

Recommendations: The Combined Authority Board is recommended to:

- a) Approve the Business Growth Service to act as a Gateway Organisation to administer the Kickstart Scheme for the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough area; and
- b) Approve the Business Growth Service as the primary referral partner for any Kickstart requests via the CPCA.

Voting arrangements: A simple majority of all Members

1. Purpose

- 1.1 The Kickstart Scheme was launched in September 2020 as an intervention to support economic recovery and offer young people the opportunity of gaining valuable work experience via a six month placement.
- 1.2 These proposals were considered at the Business Board meeting on 10 November 2020. Following discussion, the Business Board resolved unanimously to recommend that the Combined Authority Board approve the request for the Business Growth Service to act as a Gateway organisation and CPCA primary referral partner for the Kickstart Scheme.
- 1.3 The recommendations were also considered by the Skills Committee on 9 November 2020. The Skills Committee also endorsed the proposals unanimously.

1.4 The report to the Business Board can be viewed via the link below:

[Business Board meeting 10 November 2020 - Item 3.3 refers](#)

2. Appendices

2.1 None

3. Background Papers

3.1 [Skills Committee 9 November 2020 - Item 2.1 refers](#)

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