

Agenda Item No: 2.9

A Summary of the Employment and Skills Board Meeting 17 May 2022

To: Skills Committee

Meeting Date: 4 July 2022

Public report: Yes

Lead Member: Councillor Lucy Nethsingha, Chair of the Skills Committee

From: Fliss Miller, Interim Associate Skills Director

Key decision: No

Forward Plan ref: N/A

Recommendations: The Skills Committee is recommended to:

Note the paper which provides an overview of the recent Employment and Skills Board held on 17 May 2022.

Voting arrangements: No vote required.

1. Purpose

1.1 This paper provides the Skills Committee a summary of the recent meeting of the Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Combined Authority Employment & Skills Board (ESB), which includes the role of The Combined Authority's Skills Advisory Panel (SAP).

2. Background

2.1 The last meeting of the ESB was held on the 17 May 2022. Thirteen members were in attendance.

3. Meeting Overview

- 3.1 The meeting reviewed the progress of the Employment and Skills Strategy and also the Economic Growth Strategy. Useful feedback was provided by members that will be incorporated into the development of implementation of the strategies.
- 3.2 A member of the Board invited discussion about their intention to submit an Expression of Interest for the Local Skills Improvement Plan. Board members were invited to support the bid by sharing resources through the Interim Associate Director for Skills to reduce duplication.
- 3.3 Members received a presentation on UK Core SPF and Multiply, outlining opportunities and also potential risks with the new funding.
- 3.4 A verbal update was given informing the Board about the performance of Growth Works. A further report was circulating following the meeting.
- 3.5 The Board were also informed of the new contracts that have been secured by the Skills Team at the Combined Authority including the Careers Hub and Skills Bootcamps. The Team were praised by members for their work to win these bids.
- 3.6 Board members were encouraged to nominate new members to the Board.

Significant Implications

4. Financial Implications

4.1 There are no financial implications.

5. Legal Implications

5.1 There are no legal implications.

- 6. Public Health implications
- 6.1 There are no public health implications
- 7. Environmental and Climate Change Implications
- 7.1 There are no environmental or climate change implications.
- 8. Other Significant Implications
- 8.1 There are no other significant implications.
- 9. Appendices
- 9.1 There are no appendices.
- 10. Background Papers
- 7.1 <u>Minutes from ESB 17 May 2022</u>