



Agenda Item No: 3.5

A Summary of the Employment and Skills Board Meeting 14th December 2021

To: Skills Committee

Meeting Date: 16 March 2022

Public report: Yes

Lead Member: Councillor Lucy Nethsingha

From: Fliss Miller, Interim Associate Skills Director

Key decision: No

Forward Plan ref: N/A

Recommendations: The Skills Committee is recommended to:

- a) Note the paper which provides an overview of the recent Employment and Skills Board held on 14th December 2021.

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 14th December 2021. Nine members were in attendance.

3. Meeting Overview

- 3.1 The Meeting was divided into three parts; governance, delivery and strategy.
- 3.2 The Board were given a presentation on the draft of the refreshed Local Skills Report, a requirement of the Skills Advisory Panel. Comments were received by members which have subsequently been included within the report.
- 3.3 A presentation on the findings of the Apprenticeship survey were given. The survey is a joint initiative between the Combined Authority and Cambridge Ahead. The Board requested that the survey was reopened to try and increase the response rate. Members were asked to use their networks to distribute the survey.
- 3.4 The final part of the meeting was used to discuss the draft of the Employment and Skills Strategy. The Strategy was praised by all Board Members. It was agreed to review the progress of the implementation on the Strategy on a six monthly basis.
- 3.5 The Board has lost some of its members due to a number of reasons. Current Board members were asked to consider the roles and organisations which should be invited to join the Board.

Significant Implications

3. Financial Implications

- 3.1 There are no financial implications.

4. Legal Implications

- 4.1 There are no legal implications.

5. Other Significant Implications

- 5.1 There are no other significant implications.

6. Appendices

6.1 There are no appendices.

7. Background Papers

7.1 [Minutes ESB 14 December 2021](#)