

Item 6

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Business Support Simplification in Lancashire

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Executive Summary

A condition of the interim grant support from BIS in 2015/16 was that each LEP / Growth Hub should conducted a Business Support Simplification Audit within its area, in an attempt to develop a more simple landscape where businesses could easily understand what was available at their location.

The Board has received reports on the development of this exercise /document and we are now moving to submit our conclusions to BIS.

The mapping is helpful in a number ways including:-

- Informing the Boost Gateway on current provision
- Setting a context for the procurement of ESIF business support projects
- Providing an overview of how public resource is being used in this policy area

Recommendation

The LEP BSM Board is asked to:

- (i) note the Report,
- (ii) approve its submission to BIS