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Lancashire LMI Toolkit

Appendices A, B and C refer

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Executive Summary

As per the informal meeting of the committee in January, Eksogen have been commissioned to develop a Lancashire LMI Toolkit.

The Lancashire LMI Toolkit aims to:

- Update the main piece of skills and employment research, commissioned in 2015, which underpinned the development of the Lancashire Skills and Employment Strategic Framework; the updated research will support the refresh of the Strategic Economic Plan (SEP), the refresh of the framework and the development of the Local Industrial Strategy.
- Provide Labour Market Information (LMI) by Travel to Work areas in a format that is usable by a range of stakeholders, building on the success of the Sector Skills LMI Factsheets currently available on the Skills & Employment Hub website.

Eksogen will be attending the meeting to present the main findings of the Lancashire-wide research (provided in Appendix A), comparisons to 2015, and any recommendations in relation to the refresh of the SEP and the framework.

Eksogen will also provide an overview of the LMI Toolkit and the different levels of resources that will be made available on the website. Based on 80 responses to a LMI user survey and a number of focus groups, the toolkit will be made up of 'intermediate Travel to Work Area reports' (see example in Appendix B) which are targeted at users with insight e.g. careers professionals, teachers and tutors, advisers, Local Authorities etc. and 'simple Travel to Work Area presentation packs' (see example in Appendix C) which can be used with young people and unemployed adults to facilitate insight and understanding and support careers advice and guidance. The toolkit will also include access to a data matrix so that



more sophisticated users can access information at a lower geographical level (by district), and have the facility to create their own bespoke reports for their own use. It is intended that the LMI Toolkit be launched at the Enterprise Adviser Network Celebration and Development Event on Friday 27th April (referenced in the update report), followed by introductions at a range of existing stakeholder events in the weeks after.

Recommendation

The Lancashire Skills and Employment Board are asked to :

1. consider the Lancashire wide report, changes since 2015 and the recommendations made by Ekosgen
2. consider the format of the reports provided in Appendices B and C and the target audiences
3. feedback comments at the committee meeting, following the presentation by Ekosgen