



CITY DEAL

Preston, South Ribble & Lancashire

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City Deal Skills and Employment Study / Plan

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Executive Summary

Earlier in the year, a study was commissioned to identify the skills and employment implications of the City Deal programme for Preston and South Ribble, and Lancashire as a whole.

A Skills and Employment Steering Group was established to oversee the study and the development of a skills and employment action plan; it is recommended that the group continue and oversee the implementation of the action plan.

The resulting implementation plan has been aligned and cross-referenced to the overarching Lancashire Skills and Employment Strategic Framework led by the LEP's Skills and Employment Board. It is thus recommended that the group report on progress to the City Deal Executive/Stewardship Board and the Skills and Employment Board.

The final reports are presented here for the endorsement of the City Deal Executive and Stewardship Board:

- (i) The City Deal skills and employment evidence base and development plans. (Annex 1)
- (ii) The City Deal skills and employment strategy and implementation plan. (Annex 2)

Recommendation

The City Deal Executive and Stewardship Board are asked to:

- (i) Endorse the final drafts of the reports and the implementation plan.
- (ii) Approve the continuation of the Skills and Employment Steering Group to oversee the implementation of the actions in the plan.