

OFFICER DECISION RECORD

Decision Title: WECA Adult Education Budget 2021-22 – indicative allocations and voluntary transfers

Decision reference number: 02.04.21

Decision date: 15 April 2021

Background / reason for decision:

Delegated authority has been granted to the WECA Chief Executive to take decisions on indicative devolved Adult Education Budget provider allocations for the 2021/22 academic year in consultation with the Chief Executives of the West of England constituent councils.

WECA is proposing at indicative allocation stage to utilise £14,776,019 of the overall 2021/22 academic year budget to fund the roll-forward provider allocations. These allocations take into account the 2020/21 mid-year provider allocation point, requests for voluntary transfer of allocations and the growth amounts (which were agreed by the WECA CEO in consultation the WECA constituent council CEOs in March 2021). In line with the previously agreed minimum contract value for 2021/22, WECA are proposing to directly fund 11 providers. These providers can then agree sub-contracts with other providers as long as these are included (and agreed) within the Curriculum Delivery Plans subsequently submitted to WECA.

The Chief Executives of the WECA constituent councils were consulted on this proposal and were in agreement with the decision.

Options considered:

Not applicable in relation to this specific decision, i.e. this was the option considered.

Decision:

Approval given to the following proposed, indicative provider allocations (encompassing for each provider the roll-forward allocation, any applicable growth funding and approved requests for voluntary transfer of allocations): City of Bristol College - £6,278,501 SGS College - £2,272,216 Bath College - £1,993,950 Weston College - £1,272,170 Bristol City Council - £1,135,168 South Gloucestershire Council - £595,188 WEA - £322,750 NCG (Trading as Kidderminster College) - £255,033 N-Gaged Training £252,441 Wiltshire College - £226,753 Bridgewater and Taunton College £171,849

Total £14,776,019

(It is noted that once indicative allocations are agreed, WECA officers will liaise with the related providers to ensure they develop and submit curriculum delivery plans to WECA for consideration and agreement).

Consultation:

The Chief Executives of the WECA constituent councils were consulted on this proposal.

Officer making decision: Patricia Greer

Position: Chief Executive

Report / appendices / background documents: None