

## OFFICER DECISION RECORD

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### Decision Title:

The Adult Education Budget (AEB) conditional allocations to each provider for the 2023/24 academic year and the mechanism through which allocations for the 2023/24 academic year will be approved.

**Decision reference number:** 02.05.23

**Decision date:** 10/05/2023

### Background / reason for decision:

Delegated authority has been granted to the Combined Authority Chief Executive, in consultation with constituent council Chief Executives, to agree the allocation of the Adult Education Budget to providers for the 2023/24 academic year.

### Options considered:

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

### Decision:

Approval given to conditionally allocate £14,534,742 of the Adult Education Budget across 9 providers for 2023/24 as follows:

City of Bristol College	£6,251,664
South Gloucestershire & Stroud College	£2,363,085
Bath College	£1,566,908
Bristol City Council	£1,305,168
Weston College	£1,058,470
South Gloucestershire Council	£595,188
Gloucestershire College	£532,859
WEA	£461,400
The Restore Trust	£400,000

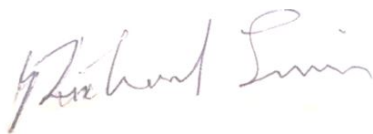
The CEOs also agreed to streamline the mechanism through which funds are allocated in 2023/24 for a single governance decision for a conditional allocation. Providing a grant recipient meets the following requirements:

- That the level of funding allocated to the provider is identical to that set out in the approved Conditional Allocation.
- That the provider submits a satisfactory Curriculum and Delivery Plan to the Combined Authority
- That the provider passes due diligence
- That no other factors arise that may have bearing on the allocation of funds to the provider in the 2023/24 academic year. This may include (but is not limited to):
- The commencement or conclusion of an investigation into the provider
  - FE Commissioner Intervention
  - Takeover / Merger

**Consultation:** The Directorate Leadership Team, the West of England Combined Authority Corporate Leadership Team, the Skills Officer Group and the Chief Executives of the West of England constituent councils were consulted on this proposal.

**Officer making decision:** Richard Ennis

**Signature:**



**Position:** Interim Chief Executive

**Report / appendices / background documents:**

None