

**OFFICER DECISION RECORD**

<b>Decision Title:</b> Wave 4 Skills Bootcamps Call One
<b>Decision reference number:</b> ODN23_2000
<b>Decision date:</b> 26 <sup>th</sup> April 2023
<p><b>Background / reason for decision:</b></p> <p>Skills Bootcamps are a £2.5bn national initiative forming part of the National Skills Fund. The purpose of which is to deliver predominantly high-level training (levels 3-5, i.e., A level equivalent and higher).</p> <p>Skills Bootcamps are employer centric training interventions that allow employers to train participants to fill short-medium term skills gaps. Employers can use Skills Bootcamp funding to fund employee training.</p> <p>Eligible participants must be 19+ and Skills Bootcamps must run for 60 guided learning hours over a maximum period of 16 weeks. Participants do not have to live in area, but the employer must be situated within the LEP geographical region.</p> <p>For 22/23 Skills Bootcamps, we have enrolled 1,022 participants against a KPI of 1120, achieving 91.25% as of April 23.</p>
<b>Options considered:</b> N/A
<p><b>Decision:</b></p> <p>To acknowledge and agree with the proposed decisions to: fund 30 new projects from call one and not fund 9 projects for reasons outlined within the report.</p> <p>Agree total allocation as £3,596,265.32 of £5,115,000.00. Leaving an amount of - £1,518,734.68 to be allocated through a second call.</p> <p>Agree the focus of the second call as: Green skills projects, Logistics bus driver training projects, Digital technical projects, Early years and adult care projects.</p> <p>Provide evidence base/guidance on further sectors or specific projects to consider for Wave 5 funding.</p> <p>CEOs gave approval to allocate the funding to 30 new projects from call one and not to fund 9 projects.</p>
<b>Consultation:</b> The skills officer group were consulted throughout the process and presented to on the 3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2023.
<p><b>Officer making decision:</b> Richard Ennis</p> 