

Decision Log

Decision Title: Skills Bootcamp – Wave 4 Change Requests & Wave 5 Delivery

Decision Date: 19 January 2024

Decision Reference Number: ESK_2024_0003

Decision Taken

That:-

1. Agreed to extend funding contracts for +Wave 5, with existing Skills Bootcamps providers, subject to meeting the qualifying criteria set out in paragraph 13 Table 1.
2. Approved the growth funding of 2 projects using current underspend within Skills bootcamps, and refuse the growth funding of 5 projects.

Reasons for the Decision

By extending the contracts it will allow the West of England Combined Authority to distribute the Skills Bootcamp Wave 5 funding in a timely manner whilst maintaining continuity for existing providers, but still allow calls for new provision and sectors.

By approving growth funding for Wave 4, it will support utilizing the current underspend which has resulted from the withdrawal of Bus Driver Skills Bootcamp along with an underspend of Wave 3 Milestone Payments.

Authority for the decision

A delegation to Director of Economy and Skills & Directors of Unitary Authorities by West of England Mayoral Combined Authority Committee on October 6th, 2023 to:-

That authority be delegated to the West of England Mayoral Combined Authority's Director of Business and Skills, in consultation with equivalent Directors from the Unitary Authorities, to administer funds and deliver initiatives under pursuant to the Adult Education Budget / Adult Skills Fund, Skills Bootcamps and Multiply as detailed in paragraphs 24 and 25. In the event of a consensus not being reached at Director level, decision making to be escalated to the West of England Mayoral Combined Authority's Chief Executive Officer (CEO) in consultation with the Unitary Authority CEOs.

Decision-Taker

Full Name: Stephen Bashford

Position: Director of Economy and Skills

Date: 19th January 2024

In Consultation with: - the Business and Skills equivalent Directors from the Unitary Authorities.