HULL & EAST YORKSHIRE LOCAL SKILLS IMPROVEMENT PLAN

NOTES

Agri-Skills Working Group

Wednesday 17th September 2025, 9.00am – 10.00am
Via Zoom

PRESENT

Rod Chambers	Hull & East Yorkshire LSIP
Hannah Crookes	Hull & East Yorkshire LSIP
Joshua Wright	Bishop Burton College
Andrew Steel	Carbon Asset Solutions
Mark Burley	Hull Citywide Partnership / Keepmoat
Sharon Hodgson	Jobcentre Plus / DWP
Alex Sheldon	East Riding of Yorkshire Council

LSIPs PRESENT & FUTURE

Hannah Crookes provided an update on the current position of LSIPs, including the move towards joint ownership of the LSIP model between Hull & Humber Chamber of Commerce and the Hull & East Yorkshire Combined Authority (HEYCA). It was however noted though that the necessary legislative changes had yet to take place meaning that the Hull & Humber Chamber of Commerce still had ultimate legal responsibility for the Hull & East Yorkshire LSIP.

The development of LSIP 2.0, which will become live in the summer of 2026 replacing the current LSIP, would commence from 1st October 2026. Delivery of the current LSIP would continue in tandem.

The role of HEYCA would be to provide confirmation as to their priority sectors, aligning with their Local Growth Plan, and providing necessary data. The Hull & Humber Chamber of Commerce, as the designated employer representative body, would continue to focus on employer engagement, facilitating relationships between employers and providers and compiling the LSIP report.

It was noted that the statutory guidance for the development of LSIP 2.0 wasn't drastically different to that for the current LSIP, although there was an increased reference to High Education. The legal requirement as well for LSIPs to consider Net Zero was also noted.

Hannah Crookes went on to discuss the importance of gaining employer feedback to help direct the content of LSIP 2.0, and to establish whether their views aligned with data.

Members of the group were invited to provide their views relating to:

- Whether the current LSIP responded to employer needs;
- Whether anything was missing from current LSIP activity;
- Views on what should be included within LSIP 2.0

Feedback received included, but not limited to:

- Challenges in engaging employers due to their busy schedules and commercial focus.
- The need to incorporate meetings into existing sector professional body groups to increase engagement.
- The potential of tapping into agricultural retailers and suppliers to reach more employers was discussed.
- The benefits of utilising existing groups such as the East Riding Rural Partnership and Farmers Clubs were noted.
- More engagement was needed from the NFU.
- Methods of engagement were discussed, such as face-to-face meetings and surveys.
- Utilising surveys to better understand the best times and methods of engagement were suggested as potentially being of benefit.

- Challenges of getting consistent attendance from employers due to their business demands was noted.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- Andrew Steel updated on the BNG platform (more akin to the property development side) but the need for the land based sector to understand about it. Other activities of Carbon Asset Solutions regarding new technologies and successes in measuring nutrient density were noted.
- In addition, Andrew Steel updated on a project on farm surplus food, which was supplying the likes of the NHS.
- Mark Burley provided an update on the careers platform, encouraging members to help support the development of the section for this sector, particularly advising on content. Further details can be found by contacting Mark Burley directly Mark.Burley@keepmoat.com, with the link to the platform provided as: https://www.figma.com/proto/zMhl07Ksfzfvz3HpINN5vE/Your-Career-Final-one-Design?node-id=138-6816&t=p4puxMhoucv8i0Iq-0&scaling=scale-down&content-scaling=fixed&page-id=138%3A189
- Hannah Crookes highlighted the expected need of adapting the LSIP Working Group's Terms of Reference to incorporate the needs of different stakeholders, as the demand on business was expected to increase, and thus multiple stakeholders using one platform to gain the information they need would reduce the burden on businesses