

PRESENT

Rod Chambers	Hull & East Yorkshire LSIP
Hannah Crookes	Hull & East Yorkshire LSIP
Sam Sutcliffe	Premier Modular
Mark Burley	Hull Citywide Partnership / Keepmoat
Sharon Hodgson	JCP/DWP
Iain Elliott	HETA
John Cook	Groupe Atlantic

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:

- Increase engagement with employers rather than providers, noting events specific to the sector which could provide opportunities for further engagement such as National Manufacturing Day.
- Benefits of the LSIP were noted to include increased apprenticeship numbers and networking opportunities.
- The need for a single point to keep track of local skills events and opportunities.
- The importance of avoiding duplication and joining up the wiring between different skills initiatives.
- The challenges of engaging small to medium-sized employers and the potential for using events like Biz Week to promote skills and manufacturing.
- The need for a localised solution for the manufacturing and engineering base and the challenges of implementing national strategies.

- Inconsistency in government strategies and the need for a consistent approach.
- Concerns around government's focus on the green agenda and the potential for disjointed policies.
- The impact of government decisions on the local economy and the need for a clear energy strategy.
- The challenges in the renewable and energy sector and the need for more action from the government.
- Avoid duplication and utilise specific groups for multiple needs, rather than create new groups operated by different stakeholders.
- There was a need to target recruiters to get involved who were directly involved within the sector.
- Rather than asking employers to attend events, take activities to the employers.
- Provider response needs to differentiate between different business needs.
- The need to simplify information.
- Skills need changes would continue as technology develops, so the importance of keeping up-to-date was noted.
- Requirements for retrofit skills were discussed.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- John Cook provided an update on Groupe Atlantic's investment in renewable energy and the challenges posed by government policies. Specific challenges around energy security were noted.
- Sam Sutcliffe reported on upcoming award ceremonies, SAP Programme and Premier Modular's increase in apprentice starts, noting that the majority were aged over 19.
- Iain Elliott highlighted how HETA had recently deliberately been targeting apprentices aged over 19 and how they had formed alliances with sixth forms locally.
- 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