

Learning for and in Work Challenge Group

Supporting Bristol citizens into work and encouraging employers to create sustainable learning organisations

Areas of challenge

- Ensuring sustainable funding for the Engagement Hub (EH) and Passport for Employability in Bristol (PEBL).
- Engaging businesses and young people appropriately in the development phase of both initiatives.
- Ensuring alignment in the development of the EH and PEBL.

What does success look like?

- Model for Engagement Hub created, activities commenced, with involvement from young people and employers.
- Passport for Employability in Bristol (PEBL) in place and piloted in one geographical area.

Areas of progress to date

- EH Proposal and Business Case finalised and approved by the Partnership Board (25 November 2015). Bristol City Council (BCC) has approved £9.3k of funding for the first stage of development.
- Employment and Skills Strategy development ongoing and approved by Partnership Board (25 November 2015).
- PEBL Proposal and Business Case in final stage of development.

Communication actions

- Range of strategies to ensure key stakeholders are kept informed and engaged.

Next steps

- Finalise and seek approval for PEBL proposal and business case.
- Support the development of the Employment and Skills Strategy in collaboration with the Learning for Everyone Challenge Group.
- Implement first stage of Engagement Hub.

Recommendations for the Partnership Board

- Note information above and provide ongoing support for the EH initiative.
- Promote the EH and PEBL with key networks.
- Raise awareness of the importance to the city of the partnership's Employment and Skills Strategy.

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Learning Actions for 2016

To work with employers and wider partners to develop the Temple Quarter Enterprise Zone (TMQZ), Engagement Hub and Passport for Employability.

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