

Meeting: Thriving Sub-Committee

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Title: Skills Gaps

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Service: Employment and Skills

Wards affected: All

1. Purpose of Report

To introduce a presentation on current skills gaps in the local economy and strategies to address these.

2. Recommendations

Members of the Sub Committee members will be asked to note the contents of the presentation.

3. Information

As part of its work programme, the Thriving Sub Committee has identified skills gaps in the local economy as an important area to focus on.

The Committee will receive a presentation which will cover an overview of current data for North Tyneside along with two recent research reports outlining current and future skills needs. This includes the North East Mayoral Combined Authority Strategic Evidence Base and the North of Tyne Local Skills Improvement Plan (LSIP) report produced by the North East Chamber of Commerce (NECC).

The presentation will also include references to other more specific research related to specific sectors such as the Low Carbon sector.

The presentation will outline some responses to the challenges identified through current data and research including funding opportunities to improve skills across the economy and case studies that demonstrate responding to specific resident and business needs.

Members of the sub-committee will be invited to make comment on the content of presentation.

4. Appendices

Skills Gaps Presentation.