



BOURNEMOUTH, DORSET & POOLE IS ESTABLISHING AN EMPLOYMENT & SKILLS BOARD – WE NEED YOUR VIEWS!

Funding has been secured from the Regional Improvement & Efficiency partnership (RIEP, the Learning & Skills Council, the South West Lifelong Learning Network and the three Local Authorities, to establish an Employment & Skills Board (ESB) for Bournemouth, Dorset & Poole. Key to improving the economic performance of the sub region is a highly skilled workforce. An Employment & Skills Board would be responsible for delivering a long term strategy for adult skills and employment for Bournemouth, Dorset & Poole. The development would seek to make it easier for individuals and employers to navigate the skills and employment landscape. The Board will be employer led to ensure that provision meets the existing and future needs of the local economy. This will require close partnership working between the private and public sectors.

WHAT IS AN EMPLOYMENT & SKILLS BOARD?

- A PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN THE PRIVATE & PUBLIC SECTORS
- DEVELOPS A LOCAL STRATEGY FOR ADULT SKILLS & EMPLOYMENT
- EMPLOYER LED
- ENSURING THE RIGHT SKILLS TRAINING IS AVAILABLE TO MEET EXISTING & FUTURE NEEDS

WHAT COULD IT DO?

- WORK WITH EMPLOYERS – better support to provide more jobs and skills opportunities for the benefit of businesses and to make the local economy more competitive
- SUPPORT RESIDENTS – to improve their skills, job and career prospects through better integration of employment support and training opportunities
- CREATE - an integrated, customer orientated skills and employment system through cross agency working with genuine employer input

WHO WILL BE ON IT?

Members will be:

- MORE PRIVATE SECTOR MEMBERS THAN PUBLIC SECTOR
- COMMITTED TO SKILLS TRAINING
- COMMITTED TO THE SUB REGION
- COMMITTED TO MAXIMISING OPPORTUNITIES FOR INDIVIDUALS AND BUSINESSES
- WILLING TO GIVE THEIR TIME TO MAKING A DIFFERENCE

HOW TO FIND OUT MORE/WHAT NEXT

- BY CONTACTING THE ESB PROJECT MANAGER
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