










**Bournemouth, Dorset & Poole MAA Partnership Theme Groups**  
Activity Monitoring Report:

#	Task and Target  Outcome:  What is the issue?  What will success look like?	Action:  (How is it being done?)	By when?	By who ?	Linkage:  Are other partners or theme groups involved ?  (detail)	Progress:  Current position?	Status:  On course or not?		
									
1	MAA target (Aim 1): To secure a higher proportion of the population aged 19-64 qualified to at least Level 4 or higher (improve performance from Q4 2006 baseline of 29.6% to Q4 2011 target of 35.1%)	Negotiations with HEFCE to identify new opportunities for co-funding Level 4+ training in small businesses	Ongoing	Belinda Payne/Matt Beaumont	No	Negotiations ongoing  April 2009 target: 32.1%  April 2009 results: 30.9%			
2	MAA target (Aim 2): To improve graduate retention and employment within the local economy	Pilot 'STRIDE' graduate and post-graduate placement programme. Mentoring of students, student enterprise projects (live projects with companies) and other enterprise projects.	Oct 09	Bournemouth University/AIB	Employers	Results Year 1 (08/09):  STRIDE post-graduate placements: 14 placements  Students mentored: 308 (+8% on baseline)  Student enterprise projects: 111 (+296% on baseline)			

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3	<p><b>Economic Strategy Action Plan – Aim 3: To secure a higher proportion of the population aged 19-64 qualified to at least Level 2 or higher and Level 3 or higher (target not agreed as part of MAA)</b></p>	<p><b>Promotion of take up of Skills Pledge</b></p>	<p><b>Apr 09</b></p>	<p><b>LSC</b></p>		<p><b>08/09: 113 employers have committed to Skills Pledge</b></p>			
4	<p><b>Economic Strategy Action Plan – Aim 4: To raise the career aspirations of young people, improve preparedness for work and increase the participation of 16-18 year olds in learning with a view to reducing the level of NEETs in BDP (target not agreed as part of MAA)</b></p>	<p><b>Pilot mentoring programme in schools; Dorset Skills Festival; DVD presentation; research into education/business links; conference involving head teachers &amp; employers</b></p>	<p><b>Apr 10</b></p>	<p><b>Borough of Poole/Young Enterprise/ Ansbury Connexions</b></p>	<p><b>Broad partnership of private and public sector partners</b></p>	<p><b>Skills Festival &amp; DVD presentation covered in earlier report. New style Skills Festival planned for Spring 2010</b></p> <p><b>Pilot mentoring programme:</b></p> <p><b>25 businesses &amp; 120 young people involved at 4 schools; 180 young people in 6 schools to be involved in September</b></p> <p><b>Conference for head teachers and employers planned for 25 September, Barclays House</b></p>			

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5	<p>To provide a common focus for prioritising and co-ordinating activities primarily aimed at increasing adult skills and employment levels</p>	<p>Development of an Employment &amp; Skills Strategy with the purpose of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Developing a range of simplified and tailored offers</li> <li>• Communicating those offers to target groups</li> <li>• Simplifying and coordinating 'single agency' and 'cross-agency delivery arrangements</li> </ul>	Jan 2010	Belinda Payne	Broad partnership of private and public sector partners	Draft prepared – preparing for consultation exercise			
6	<p>To secure greater involvement of employers in the development of employment and skills programmes to ensure that they are demand led</p>	<p>Establishment of an Employment &amp; Skills Board preferably with statutory powers that can influence mainstream funding</p>	Oct 09	Belinda Payne	Broad partnership of private and public sector partners	<p>SWREIP funding secured.</p> <p>Secondment of Board Co-ordinator agreed by Bournemouth University.</p> <p>Consultation with CLG/BIS ongoing regarding structure, membership &amp; process for acquiring s.24a powers.</p> <p>Consultation</p>			

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						with 14-19 Partnership Boards planned			
						Contact made with employers by Belinda Payne & Richard Dimbleby – further contact planned			
7	Employment initiatives	Exploration of ideas regarding how long-term unemployed in 18-24 age group can be supported into sustainable employment	Dec 09	Peter Wheelhouse	Local authorities, Jobcentre Plus, LSC, Business Link, training providers, representatives from Business Growth & Housing Theme Groups	Meetings held to explore possibility of a green retrofit project involving RSLs supported by Future Jobs Fund (links to GKE project)		☹️	
		Development of a hub to support unemployed professionals		David Williams (Arts University College)		SW REIP funding secured – project manager appointed	😊		

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### A) Requests for Programme Group and/or MAA Board review and response:

(Supply with supporting attachments if required)

#	Issue What is causing the block to progress?	Risk ( performance / financial / political) What might happen if nothing is done?	Recommendation (for review and decision) What needs to be done to enable better progress?
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