



## **Employment, Learning & Skills SSP Meeting Summary 14<sup>th</sup> January 2010**

### **1. LPSA 2 Proposals and Revised ELS Budget**

The Group were informed that at the Partnership Board meeting it was agreed to delegate agreement and approval to SSP Chairs' Group. It had been felt that it would not be correct to rush into funding without clear guidance around past performance, partners' involvement, evidence of need provided and a clear exit strategy. It was agreed that the SSP would sift through the proposals prior to submission to the LSP Board for formal endorsement.

### **2. ELS Network Event**

This event, arranged for 21 January at The Foundry, included a speed networking event, presentations and workshops, "things for the future".

It was hoped that it would provide a good opportunity partners to give comments on how they see ELS SSP progressing and shaping in the immediate and short term.

### **3. Outcome Based Accountability**

An overview and briefing paper was provided into the process that has been rolled out within the Children's Trust. An example of the process was provided around NEET. A workshop on OBA was to be provided at the ELS Network Event. Connexions have used OBA as the basis for internal key performance indicators/management.

### **4. Local Economic Assessment**

A briefing paper on the guidance was discussed and it was felt significant input from the Group is required. It was felt that engaging with communities needs to be reflected. The 3<sup>rd</sup> sector has a larger role and there is an opportunity now to look at this. It was suggested that Andrew Parnell be linked into progress with the Assessment in terms of the Core Strategy.

### **5. Future Jobs Fund**

There are now 255 young people in Halton eligible for FJF. Regarding NEET, DWP have agreed that anyone previously NEET can join FJF as soon as they reach age 18. JCP advisors are also in Connexions.

### **6. Any Other Business**

It was requested that the 2k incentive for public sector employers be reviewed. SS suggested this go to the Board; however WR felt that guidance was required although in principle the Group would agree to this.