

SUMMARY OF DECISIONS TAKEN

MEETING: Environment and Economy Select Committee
Monday 15 December 2014 Shimkent Room, Daneshill House, Stevenage, SG1 1HN

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillors: J Hollywell (Chair), P Bibby (Vice-Chair), L Bell, L Briscoe, J Brown and P Stuart.

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor R Raynor (Executive Portfolio Holder for Economy, Enterprise and Transport).

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	
<p>Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors D Bainbridge, E Connolly, C Saunders and G Snell.</p> <p>There were no declarations of interests.</p>	<p>G Moody Ext 2203</p>
2. MINUTES – 21 OCTOBER 2014	
<p>It was RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting of the Environment & Economy Select Committee held on 21 October 2014 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.</p>	<p>G Moody Ext 2203</p>
3. SCRUTINY REVIEW INTO TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE	
<p>The Committee expressed disappointment that the recommendation seeking the creation of a local Directory of Businesses who would be willing to visit local schools to outline career opportunities had not been progressed. It was suggested that the Executive be approached with a request for support to revisit the recommendation. In reply Councillor Raynor advised the Committee that he would discuss the issue with the Head of Planning Regeneration</p>	<p>Cllr R Raynor P Pinkney</p>

<p>and Transport but cautioned that it was likely that there could be other issues that would take priority.</p> <p>In reply to a request the Head of Planning Regeneration and Transport undertook to provide feedback from the 500 businesses that had been contacted regarding their willingness to take on an apprentice.</p> <p>In reply to a further request the Scrutiny Officer undertook to contact the Stevenage Educational Trust for a response to the issue raised by students during the review concerning the visibility and access to the Careers Advice Service in schools.</p> <p>The Committee was advised of an example of best practice whereby a school in the town had worked with students and local employers to provide work experience opportunities and careers advice. In reply to a question the Head of Planning Regeneration and Transport undertook to inform Members of the name of the school.</p> <p>It was RESOLVED that the update be noted.</p>	<p>Ext 2257</p> <p>P Pinkney Ext 2257</p> <p>S Weaver Ext 2332</p> <p>P Pinkney Ext 2257</p>
4. URGENT PART I BUSINESS	
None	G Moody Ext 2203
5. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC	
None	G Moody Ext 2203
PART II	
6. URGENT PART II BUSINESS	
None	G Moody Ext 2203