

BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

**North East Area Council Meeting:
October 1st, 2015**

Agenda Item: 8

**Report of North East Area Council
Manager**

Employability for under 16's Initiative – Summer 2016**1. Background**

- 1.1 At the North East Area Council meeting held on December 4th, 2014 the Councillors agreed that the North East Area Council approved the Employability for Under 16's Summer Holiday Internship initiative 2015, working in partnership with the North Area Council, at a cost of £45,000 per Area Council.
- 1.2 Comprehensive feedback had been received with regard to the success of the initiative through the regular Performance Monitoring Reports submitted by the Area Manager, and through a presentation given to the North East Area Council by C and K Careers.
- 1.3 The feedback includes very positive statements supporting the value of this initiative from the young people taking part, the employers and the parents and guardians.
- 1.4 Members are asked to consider whether they would like to recommission the Employability for Under 16's initiative for the summer of 2016.
- 1.5 If the initiative is to be recommissioned it will need to be advertised and a full procurement process will be necessary. Additionally the initiative will need to be advertised in November 2015, to ensure that a service provider is in place to deliver preparatory work during the Spring term of 2016.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 **Members are asked to give consideration to the performance update presentation by C and K Careers at the beginning of the meeting.**
- 2.2 **Members are asked to confirm if they wish the Employability for Under 16's 2016 Contract to be advertised at a maximum Contract value of £45,000.**
- 2.3 **Members are asked to acknowledge that there may be an opportunity to run this initiative in partnership with the North Area Council. This approach has been identified as Good Practice in order to maximise outputs and outcomes, and to achieve Best Value.**

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