

NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL

CABINET

JOBS FAIR

1. OBJECT AND KEY POINTS IN THIS REPORT

- 1.1 To approve the staging of a North Lincolnshire Jobs Fair in the Summer of 2013.

2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 2.1 The council recently delivered a Jobs Fair at Kimberly Clark in Barton upon Humber, as part of the Taskforce support. This was well attended by 30 companies and particularly well received by employees.
- 2.2 The feedback received from companies indicated an appetite to attend a wider Jobs Fair for North Lincolnshire residents to promote job vacancies.
- 2.3 The North Lincolnshire Regional Growth Fund Programme has now allocated over half of the £10m funds awarded in less than one year. Over 400 new jobs are expected to be created as a result of the monies awarded so far. The companies that have been successful will be asked to attend the Jobs Fair to advertise these new job opportunities.
- 2.4 A "Jobs" event would build on the successful Jobs and Careers Event the council organised in October 2012. The Jobs Fair would focus specifically on job vacancies and also self-employment/new business start-up support.
- 2.5 The Jobs Fair will have three distinct zones:
- Job Vacancies
 - Self-Employment/Business Start Up
 - Information Advice and Guidance and Job Search/CV Writing Workshops.

3. OPTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

- 3.1 Option 1 – to deliver a North Lincolnshire wide Jobs Fair focussing on job vacancies and self-employment/business start up support.
- 3.2 Option 2 – to do nothing.

4. OPTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

- 4.1 Option 1 – will allow North Lincolnshire residents direct access to companies that are advertising job vacancies. Companies will benefit from a free opportunity to promote their vacancies. Attendees will have access to opportunities and support for self-employment and business start ups.
- 3.4 Option 2 – will not provide any additional opportunities to either unemployed job seekers, those wishing to progress their career further or companies looking to advertise vacancies.

5. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (FINANCIAL, STAFFING, PROPERTY, IT)

5.1 Financial

The cost of the event will be approximately £2,000. The Raising the Profile of North Lincolnshire budget will meet these costs.

There are no other resource implications to highlight.

6. OUTCOMES OF INTEGRATED IMPACT ASSESSMENT (IF APPLICABLE)

- 6.1 There are no negative impacts resulting from this assessment but a great opportunity for promoting local companies and job vacancies.

7. OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION AND CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS DECLARED

- 7.1 JobCentre Plus support the proposal to stage this event.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 8.1. That Cabinet approves the staging of a Jobs Fair in Summer 2013.

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Background Papers used in the preparation of this report - Nil