




Suffolk Chamber of Commerce Policy Group notes

Name of group	People and Skills Group (PSG)
Date of meeting	Wednesday 29 June 2022
Chair/Author	Richard Brame/Emma Alderton
Summary of presentations/guest speakers	
<p>Chris Pyburn – Public Health Suffolk</p> <p>Wendy Wright – Care Leavers in the Community</p>	
Key feedback/responses	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion around the mental health of people working from home post-pandemic • Current hike in fuel prices is impacting on employees going back into the office • Paul Simon has also given an update on the LSIP submission • Michael Gray gave an update on the Apprenticeships task and finish group report 	
Links to reports/presentations shared	
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  Chris Pyburn - presentation.pptx </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  The Family Business - CoC Presentation.ç </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  Task and Finish Group - Final report </div> </div>	
Recommendations for Suffolk Chamber policy positioning	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LSIP has now been submitted for approval for Suffolk and Norfolk Chambers to run as the local Employer Representative Body – further details to be circulated in due course when a decision has been made by the DfE 	
Recommendations for development/Suffolk Chamber action	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chamber team and Public Health to pick up conversations around employee mental health being impacted by fuel prices etc through 121 conversations within the recently re-launched Improving Workplace Health project that they are working on 	
Requests for group engagement/information	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apprenticeships, volunteering or other opportunities for care leavers – contact Wendy Wright above • ESF funding comes to an end next year for such projects as Supply Chain Skills Development Fund, Pathways Training Fund etc and Multiply and Bootcamps will be available very soon so please let Michael Gray and the team know if you are interested 	
Forward plan	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LSIP outcome to be addressed at the next meeting if we have had a decision • Outcomes from focus groups with UoS and Suffolk MIND to be discussed at future session 	
Date of next meeting	Wednesday 7 December