

KIRKLEES HEALTH & WELLBEING BOARD	
MEETING DATE:	17 September 2020
TITLE OF PAPER:	Kirklees Economic Recovery Plan and Inclusive Economy
1. Purpose of paper	<p>The purpose of this paper is to bring to the attention of the Board the draft Kirklees Covid-19 Economic Recovery Plan approved for consultation by the Council's cabinet on 13 July.</p> <p>As identified in the opening sentence of the Kirklees JHWS's prologue the state of our economy and the health of our residents are mutually reinforcing; the JHWS and the Kirklees Economic Strategy (KES) "cover different ground and do different things, yet are fundamentally connected". It is therefore essential that the H&WB is able to participate in <i>crafting</i> the ERP and <i>championing</i> this and the wider inclusive economy agenda.</p>
2. Background	<p>The COVID-19 pandemic has affected the economy locally, nationally and globally in an unprecedented manner. The UK's GDP in Q2 was 22.1% lower than at the end of Q4 of 2019. While the supports provided by the Government significantly reduced short term impacts both on businesses and individuals, this effects of this recession are expected to be worse than those experienced during the financial crisis of 2008/9.</p> <p>The primary purpose of the ERP is to set out how the Council and other stakeholders across the public, private and third sectors can directly support the recovery. It is recognised that local health commissioners and providers contribute significantly to the local economy as employers and through their supply chains.</p>
3. Proposal	<p>The proposed initiatives are described within the Kirklees Economic Recovery Plan attached.</p>
4. Financial Implications	<p>There are no direct financial implications for the members of the H&WB.</p>
5. Sign off	<p>Karl Battersby, Strategic Director Economy and Infrastructure - Signed off on 08/09/2020</p>
6. Next Steps	<p>Next steps include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ongoing engagement/consultation on the ERP • development of short-term/quick win projects.
7. Recommendations	<p>The H&WB is asked to consider the ERP and specifically how member organisations may be able to contribute to its objectives particularly through inclusive employment, capital investments and social value procurement.</p>
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