

# Your Moray

## REPORT TO: COMMUNITY PLANNING BOARD ON 24 NOVEMBER 2020

SUBJECT: INFORMATION REPORT: PROGRAMME AND UPDATE ON ECONOMIC IMPACTS AND RECOVERY PLAN

BY: HEAD OF ECONOMIC GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT

#### 1. REASON FOR REPORT

1.1. To inform members of the Community Planning Partnership of the work to support economic recovery.

#### 2. <u>RECOMMENDATION</u>

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Community Planning Partnership:
  - (i) endorses the action plan approved by Moray Economic Partnership;
  - (ii) each Community Planning Partner actively considers participation the the Governments Kickstart scheme to provide work placements for 16-24 year olds; and
  - (iii) each Community Planning Partner agrees to collaborate on the work to improve local spend from public sector procurement through a community wealth building approach.

### 3. ECONOMY RECOVERY ACTION PLAN

- 3.1 Moray Economic Partnership (MEP) has worked throughout the pandemic with local businesses and their representatives to respond to the crisis and ensure the public sector could provide support.
- 3.2 The MEP carried out analysis and research and consulted with businesses and the community to identify areas where interventions could make the most difference in enabling recovery.
- 3.3 The economic recovery plan attached as **Appendix 1** includes was approved by MEP on the 30 September 2020.

- 3.4 Individual partners accountable for the actions will be responsible for ensuring sufficient resources and budgets are made available to deliver the actions identified.
- 3.5 Two areas within the action plan merit a consistent approach and participation from all public sector partners to assist economic recovery.
- 3.6 The first of these is participation in the Governments Kickstart scheme which funds the provision placements to 16-24 year olds on universal credit.
- 3.7 Secondly, participation in a programme of work to look at public sector procurement in Moray and ways in which we can increase the proportion of local spend both through procurement practices and also by developing the local supply chain in business and social enterprises.

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