

**SOUTH HOLLAND DISTRICT COUNCIL FINANCIAL COMMENTS & APPRAISAL**

THIS DOCUMENT PROVIDES THE FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS  
IN RESPECT OF THE ATTACHED REPORT

**FROM: Nigel R Burch**

**REPORT: Funding for continuation of the skills service in South Holland schools**

**REPORT DATE: 9/5/19**

	<b>Year 1</b>	<b>£ Year 2</b>	<b>£ Year 3</b>	<b>£ Year 4</b>
	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>2019-20</b>	<b>2020-21</b>	<b>2021-22</b>
<b>Revenue</b>				
<b>Income</b>		-		
<b>Costs</b>	n/a	£16,800	TBC	TBC
<b>Total Revenue -</b>		£16,800	TBC	TBC

<b>Capital</b>				
<b>Income</b>				
N/A				
<b>Costs</b>				
<b>Total Capital</b>				

**Considered By:**

**Date:**

This appraisal is valid for 1 month from issue date.  
If there are changes to the original report it may invalidate this document & must be reviewed by Finance.

**Detail**

For the past 3 years, the Skills Service, part of Opportunity Peterborough, have been working in the Secondary Schools in South Holland. The remit of the Skills Service is to provide a brokerage service for businesses, education and training providers, co-ordinating work related learning activities that aim to improve the aspirations and economic awareness of young people and develop their employability skills in line with local business needs.

Originally funded by the Greater Cambridge Greater Peterborough Local Enterprise Partnership, and latterly, by the Cambridge and Peterborough Combined Mayoral Authority, the Skills Service funding was cut at the end of February 2019 which currently leaves the service unable to operate in South Holland.

The Economic Development team are of the opinion that the Skills Service has been performing much needed and appreciated work in all local senior schools and that intervention is required to ensure that this work continues. We are suggesting a 12 month solution funded as per the narrative below, other more sustainable solutions will be explored during this 12 month period.

As a result of a meeting with the Skills Service manager, a number of different options have been presented regarding the cost of keeping a variety of levels of service operating in South Holland for a further 12 months is £16,800.

**Financial Services Comments**

£5K of this annual cost can be met from existing Inward Investment revenue budgets (based on known commitments), the remaining £11.8K will be an additional cost to SHDC based on the preferred option, whilst more sustainable funding solutions are explored.

**Financial Risk**

This appraisal is valid for 1 month from issue date. If there are changes to the original report it may invalidate this document & must be reviewed by Finance.		
<b>9/5/2019</b>	<b>Page 2 of 2</b>	