



Sussex Chamber of Commerce

Local Skills Improvement Plan (LSIP) Board

Construction Sector Member Recruitment Pack

Sussex Chamber of Commerce were appointed by the Department for Education (DfE) as the Local Skills Improvement Plan (LSIPs) employer representative body for the Sussex area for the recent LSIP Trailblazer project.

The LSIPs overall purpose is to break down barriers between employers and education and skills providers by identifying the short, medium and long terms skills needs and in turn develop a more responsive local skills system.

Sussex Chamber work with education providers, employers and employer representative groups, to identify these local needs and solutions to address them in our key sectors:

- Engineering and Manufacturing
- Construction
- Digital
- Visitor and Cultural Industries
- Land-based
- Health and Care

We have now completed the Trailblazer phase of the LSIP process and published the [LSIP report and associated Improvement Framework](#). In addition, the Chamber has just completed our application to DfE to continue as the LSIP employer relationship body through until March 2025 to continue this important work and implement the actions with the Improvement Framework with partners across the Sussex. We expect to hear the outcome by the autumn.

Purpose and role of LSIP Board

The purpose of the LSIP Board will be to provide direction and oversight on the development of an effective LSIP for Sussex, with the main responsibilities including:

- provide oversight, support and challenge to the team developing the Sussex LSIP following guidance from the Department for Education (DfE)
- ensure that as many employers are able to feed in their current and future skills needs into the development of a Sussex LSIP
- ensure that as many education and skills providers are able to support the work of the project team and feed into the development of a Sussex LSIP
- work with the project team to ensure existing data and intelligence is included and built upon during the development of a Sussex LSIP
- support the project team to commission additional research and data capture to support the production of a Sussex LSIP

The Board is made up of the following members:

- 6 Employer Representatives
- 1 Further education college
- 1 Higher Education organisation
- 1 Independent Training Provider
- 3 County Council/Unitary Authorities
- 2 Local Enterprise Partnerships

Recruitment

We are inviting expressions of interest from Construction organisations in Sussex to recruit a Board member to be the employer representative for this sector.

Members are expected to attend all meetings and be of sufficient seniority to make decisions on behalf of their organisations.

Person Specification

The members of the LSIP Board will be required to have the following skills, knowledge and experience:

- Leadership and decision making
- Strategic influencing skills
- Ability to think critically and challenge where necessary
- Understanding of the skills and workforce needs of employers in the Sussex area
- Be able to engage with and objectively represent the views of the sector
- Knowledge and interest in education policy and provision
- Experience of active collaboration and partnership working
- Ability to engage with a wide range of stakeholders

How to apply

Please send a CV/link to a LinkedIn profile and a supporting letter which addresses how you feel you meet the person specification to skills@sussexchamberofcommerce.co.uk by **close of play on Friday 19 August 2022**.