

# BROMLEY ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP

**Meeting:** Economic Partnership  
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**Subject:** Implementing Bromley's Economic Framework  
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## 1. Recommendations.

The Partnership is asked to:-

- 1.1 Consider the action plans for the Economic Framework, presented by the lead officers for each of the Partnership's sub- groups and comment in relation to the action, performance measures, partners and timescales.
- 1.2 Identify any additional activities that their organisation is planning or considering and could contribute to the plan.
- 1.3 Request that the each of the sub-groups report progress against their action plan on a quarterly basis to the Economic Partnership.
- 1.4 Note the timetable and the need for the Sub-Groups to manage and monitor the action plans on an ongoing basis.

## 2. Background

- 2.1 The Economic Partnership at its last meeting (April 2010) endorsed the three Strategic Priorities for 2010 -13 within the Economic Framework and requested the Business Competitiveness and Investment Sub Group and the Skills and Employment Sub Group develop, manage and monitor Action Plans for Strategic Priorities 1 and 3 respectively. It also asked that consideration be given to the mechanism to develop, manage and monitor Strategic Priority 2 'vibrant and thriving town centres 'and that the action plans and an updated Economic Framework come back to the Partnership's next meeting.
- 2.2 Since this meeting discussions between the Director of Renewal and Recreation, Howard Oldstein and other town centre key businesses agreed that a bringing together of the main and local town centre business forums and trader group chairmen on a regular basis would provide the steering group for Strategic Priority 2. The lead officers for this priority are Colin Brand and Kevin Munnely, both within the Department of Renewal and Recreation.
- 2.3 The Skills and Employment Sub-Group in May agreed the Interim Work and Skills Plan for the borough which was required by the previous government with a full Work and Skills Plan to be submitted by April 2011. The Sub-Group have discussed

how the full Work and Skills Plan and the action plan can be brought together to create a single document. A copy of the Interim Work and Skills Plan has been circulated separately to members of the Economic Partnership. Prepared by the Local Economy and Regeneration Division of the Council the full plan will be led by Michael Wheeler as the lead for the Skills and Employment Sub-Group.

- 2.4 The updating of the Economic Framework is dependent on the completion of the three action plans with partners, performance measures and timescales included as it brings these together at a more strategic level. Due to the delay in the drafting of the action plans there has been insufficient time to update the overall Economic Framework in advance of this meeting. This will be undertaken when the three action plans have been revised, reflecting comments from the Economic Partnership and circulated for information and feedback outside of the meeting cycle.
- 2.5 The intention will be for the Sub-Groups to report progress on a regular basis to the Economic Partnership.

### 3. Timetable

- 3.1 The timescale for the preparation of the Framework and Action Plans as reported to the April Partnership meeting is set out again below for information.

Economic Partnership	April 2010	Consideration of Economic Framework and development of Action Plans
Sub Groups	April – June 2010	Development and agreement of Action Plans
Economic Partnership	July 2010	Consideration of Sub Groups Action Plans
Sub Groups	Ongoing	Managing and monitoring each Action Plan.
Economic Partnership	Ongoing	Receiving and reviewing monitoring reports
Economic Partnership	Ongoing	Report to Local Strategic Partnership against overall framework