Cabinet’s Response to Spotlight Review of Work Experience by Rotherham Youth Cabinet

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| 1. That RMBC, schools and partners work together to develop an improved offer of work experience, interaction with employers and volunteering opportunities for all young people from 2019. This should take account of the following recommendations made by Rotherham Youth Cabinet:—| Accepted | The Council will support the Youth Cabinet to influence Government to support schools to deliver high quality work experience. In Rotherham the Council will work with partners, via the Employment and Skills Board and Rotherham Education Strategic Partnership to implement the Employment and Skills Plan. The recommendations a)-(j) are currently not all contained within national education policy. In addition to supporting the Youth Cabinet to influence central government, we will seek to influence partners locally via the Employment and Skills Plan which is currently going through a period of consultation and is expected to be presented to Cabinet in Spring 2019. The Plan identifies the following issue:  
• Young people are unaware of opportunities available to them within the borough  
Then sets out aims of:  
• Providing careers and education advice  
• engaging with primary schools to raise awareness of career opportunities  
• promoting apprenticeships as a career choice for young people  
The following relevant strategic aims and priorities are identified:  
I. Support Rotherham residents to secure good jobs and to progress within their careers.  
II. Provide specific tailored support to those people and groups facing (multiple) barriers to accessing employment and training opportunities. | Simeon Leach / Pepe Diiasio | Following approval of the Employment and Skills Plan in April 2019. |
|   | III. Assist businesses to source and provide the training they need for their workforce, in order to maximise their future growth prospects  
IV. Develop enterprising young people, aware of the breadth of career and employment options and progression routes available to them (within Rotherham and the wider Sheffield City Region)  
V. Strengthen links between Rotherham’s education providers and local employers. The recommendations from the Youth Cabinet (a) – (j) will be incorporated into the Skills Strategy Action Plan. |   |
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<td>That any specific needs of young people with mental health needs and/or special educational needs and disability who are in mainstream schools are taken into account in developing the offer, as well as those of young people in special schools.</td>
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<td>That from 2019 onwards Rotherham Youth Cabinet receive updates twice a year from schools regarding progress with the new offer.</td>
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