Liskeard Neighbourhood Plan

Employment and training WG meeting 27th May 2015

Present : Jane Pascoe (chair), James Shrubsole (note-taker), Lynne Butel, Bruce Hawken, James Moon, Steve Vinson, Roger Holmes

Apologies: Peter Murnaghan, Steve Clark

James S thanked everyone for their attendance and hard work over the period that the group had been meeting.

The meeting focused on Aims and Objectives, building on suggestions from earlier meetings.

Aim: The Neighbourhood Plan adopts a strategy to attract high quality employment to meet the needs of businesses and the working population and to ensure the long-term sustainability of Liskeard as a thriving community and modern market town.

Objectives:	Achieved by:
1.Promote quality employment growth	 a) identifying appropriate locations for employment/training development in and around Liskeard b) ensure employment land is developed in parallel with housing through s106 and other grants
2.Improve skills and training	 a) Supporting and encouraging the coordination of vocational training/skills development between formal education and private sector b) Identifying providers from private sector, school, and further/higher education
3.Establish an innovation hub	Sponsorship and grant aid to support local enterprises and universities
4.Build on existing viable businesses which provide local employment opportunities and a range of services to the people living in the town and to those in the surrounding villages and countryside	a) identifying skills shortages b) supporting provision of a range of facilities that will allow businesses to expand and stay in the area

Jane P and James S agreed to write up the working groups conclusions and circulate them for comment to the rest of the group.

Whilst no date was fixed for a future meeting it is expected that WG's will get together in the future to co-ordinate their findings.