

## Section 4 Integrated Impact Assessment

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### Summary Report Template

Each of the numbered sections below must be completed

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#### 1. Title of proposal

Employability Third Party Grants and No One Left Behind Phase 2 Implementation

#### 2. What will change as a result of this proposal?

The Council currently funds 17 third party grants to support Edinburgh citizens to access and progress along the Employability Strategic Skills Pipeline with the goal of securing and sustaining training and employment. These grants are to complement the larger local and national provision and to provide niche projects for priority groups.

Additional funding from Scottish Government for local employability delivery is expected to be provided to City of Edinburgh Council as part of the second phase of the No One Left Behind employability transformation in Scotland. No One Left Behind Phase 2 involves the ending of two National Training Programmes (Employability Fund and Community Jobs Scotland) on 31 March 2022 with funding being transferred to local authorities for local employability delivery.

Co-production took place with stakeholders, service providers, service users and citizens. The review found that:

- the Network of Employability Support and Training (NEST) should offer support for those at all five stages of the employability pipeline,
- NEST training and employability programmes should be aligned with occupational growth sectors where there are workforce gaps,
- services provided should follow the No One Left Behind ethos and offer holistic, person centred and local targeted employability services,
- specific target groups that may need additional support from these employability services include; care experienced, young parents, young carers, disabled people, members of the BAME community, those aged 50+, school leavers and those requiring mental health support,
- consideration needs to be given to continued access to benefits, Education Maintenance Allowance or a training allowance for those participating in these employability programmes.

As a result of the co-production, a plan for the future delivery of services was established:

- there is a need for a framework of vocational training programmes to complement existing employability delivery and support upskilling. This would ensure there are no gaps in provision following the ending of the Employability Fund programme in March 2022,
- funding to support job creation in the voluntary sector, currently offered through Community Jobs Scotland, can be met through additional funding that is being provided from the Scottish Government for Employer Recruitment Incentives and the work being carried out by Edinburgh Guarantee,

- there is still a need for a grants programme so that smaller employability providers can offer innovative programmes that may not be delivered as part of the specifications of the training framework or core employability services delivered in Edinburgh.

### 3. Briefly describe public involvement in this proposal to date and planned

Key stakeholders were invited to inform the process and outcomes, including development of an Integrated Impact Assessment. The Steering Group includes all members of the Local Employability Partnership:

- The City of Edinburgh Council
- Capital City Partnership
- Edinburgh College
- The University of Edinburgh
- Skills Development Scotland
- The Department for Work and Pensions
- Edinburgh Chamber of Commerce (also representing Developing the Young Workforce)
- Edinburgh Voluntary Organisations Council
- IRES, City Region Deal

A Service Provider Consultation Event was advertised widely through the Joined Up For Jobs network, directly to Employability Fund and NEST providers and through our networks of peripheral services. This included presentations and breakout consultation groups.

A Service Provider Survey was advertised through our networks to allow providers to give their thoughts and insights. The same questions were used as at the consultation event.

A Citizens Survey was advertised widely through the Joined Up For Jobs network, peripheral networks, and through social media networks, including the City of Edinburgh Council's twitter.

Co-Production has been affected by Covid-19 and has limited the ability to reach out to the wider community, especially in terms of citizens. As meetings have to be virtual, there has been concern around digital exclusion. For that reason, we asked service providers to also support completing surveys with clients in whatever form they are using to support them at present.

We used our Joined Up For Jobs and wider peripheral service networks to request organisations to host virtual focus groups with clients, using the same questions as the survey.

In Total:

- 30 people attended the service provider consultation event
- 7 service providers completed the survey
- 63 citizens provided their feedback through surveys and focus groups.

### 4. Is the proposal considered strategic under the [Fairer Scotland Duty](#)?

Yes

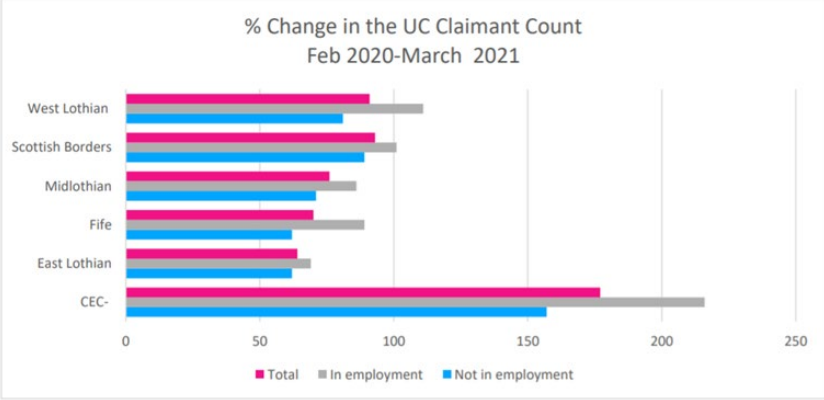
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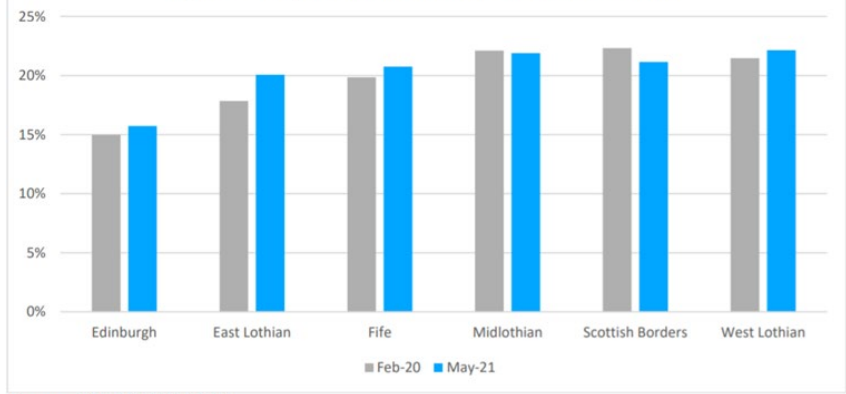
**6. Who was present at the IIA? Identify facilitator, Lead Officer, report writer and any partnership representative present and main stakeholder (e.g. NHS, Council)**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Job Title</b>	<b>Date of IIA training</b>
Philip Ritchie (Lead Officer)	Business Growth and Inclusion Contracts Lead, CEC	1 November 2017
Katie Weavers (Facilitator)	Business Growth and Inclusion Contracts and Programme Officer, CEC	7 November 2019
Jessie Colligan (Minute taker)	Business Growth and Inclusion Assistant (Modern Apprentice)	29 April 2021
Kate Kelman	Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Capital City Partnership	
Craig Dutton	Strategy and Contracts Officer, Capital City Partnership	1 November 2017
Rona Hunter	Chief Executive Officer, Capital City Partnership	
Lucy Everett	The University of Edinburgh	
Diane Gordon	Edinburgh College	
Mark Merrell	EVOC	

## 7. Evidence available at the time of the IIA











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Data on populations in need	<a href="#">Edinburgh and South East Regional Claimant Count May 2021 Update</a> - Capital City Partnership	<p><b>UNIVERSAL CREDIT:</b> Across the region there has been a 99% increase in the number of people claiming Universal Credit between February 2020 and May 2021. In the most recent figures, 116,693 individuals are claiming UC.</p> <p>Between February 2020 and April 2021 the region has seen a 121% increase in the number of individuals who are in work and claiming Universal Credit and a 88% increase in the numbers who are claiming and not in employment.</p>  <p><b>Table 2: Claimant Count - Scottish LAs</b></p> <table border="1" data-bbox="571 990 1422 1111"> <thead> <tr> <th rowspan="2">Area</th> <th colspan="2">February 2020</th> <th colspan="2">April 2021</th> <th colspan="2">May 2021</th> <th colspan="2">% Change</th> </tr> <tr> <th>Count</th> <th>Rate</th> <th>Count</th> <th>Rate</th> <th>Count</th> <th>Rate</th> <th>Feb20-Mav21</th> <th>Apr20-Mav21</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td><b>City of Edinburgh</b></td> <td><b>7,105</b></td> <td><b>1.9</b></td> <td><b>18,130</b></td> <td><b>4.9</b></td> <td><b>17,010</b></td> <td><b>4.6</b></td> <td><b>139%</b></td> <td><b>-6%</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Scotland</td> <td>114,605</td> <td>3.3</td> <td>207,225</td> <td>5.9</td> <td>196,320</td> <td>5.6</td> <td>71%</td> <td>-5%</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p><i>Source: NOMIS 15/06/2021</i></p> <p>In the City Region the data shows that since April 2021 the claimant count has fallen by 6% in Edinburgh. Overall, across the city region there were in 46,290 claimants in May compared to 48,980 in April.</p> <p><b>Gender Profile</b></p> <p>In three of the Local Authorities (Edinburgh, Fife and Scottish Borders) there had been a higher percentage increase for females compared to males, between February 2020 and May 2021. In Edinburgh, the increase was 142%. The May figures are encouragingly 6% lower than in April for both males and females.</p> <p><b>Table 3: Change in Gender Split Across the City Region</b></p> <table border="1" data-bbox="571 1570 1422 1720"> <thead> <tr> <th rowspan="2"></th> <th rowspan="2"></th> <th colspan="2">February 2020</th> <th colspan="2">April 2021</th> <th colspan="2">May 2021</th> <th colspan="2">% Change</th> </tr> <tr> <th>Count</th> <th>Rate</th> <th>Count</th> <th>Rate</th> <th>Count</th> <th>Rate</th> <th>Feb20 - May21</th> <th>Apr20 - May21</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td rowspan="3">Edinburgh</td> <td>All</td> <td>7,105</td> <td>1.9</td> <td>18,130</td> <td>4.9</td> <td>17,010</td> <td>4.6</td> <td>139%</td> <td>-6%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Male</td> <td>4,435</td> <td>2.5</td> <td>11,255</td> <td>6.2</td> <td>10,565</td> <td>5.8</td> <td>138%</td> <td>-6%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Female</td> <td>2,665</td> <td>1.4</td> <td>6,875</td> <td>3.7</td> <td>6,445</td> <td>3.5</td> <td>142%</td> <td>-6%</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p><b>Age Profile</b></p> <p>Table 4 below looks at the 6 Local Authorities and the City Region in terms of the 16-24 year old age category. From this table it can be seen that across the city region there had been a 93% increase in the number of 16-24 year old claimants between February 2020 and May 2021.</p> <p>In Edinburgh for example there had been a 166% increase in the number of 16-24 year old males claiming when the statistics from February 2020 are compared with those from May 2021.</p>	Area	February 2020		April 2021		May 2021		% Change		Count	Rate	Count	Rate	Count	Rate	Feb20-Mav21	Apr20-Mav21	<b>City of Edinburgh</b>	<b>7,105</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>18,130</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>17,010</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>139%</b>	<b>-6%</b>	Scotland	114,605	3.3	207,225	5.9	196,320	5.6	71%	-5%			February 2020		April 2021		May 2021		% Change		Count	Rate	Count	Rate	Count	Rate	Feb20 - May21	Apr20 - May21	Edinburgh	All	7,105	1.9	18,130	4.9	17,010	4.6	139%	-6%	Male	4,435	2.5	11,255	6.2	10,565	5.8	138%	-6%	Female	2,665	1.4	6,875	3.7	6,445	3.5	142%	-6%
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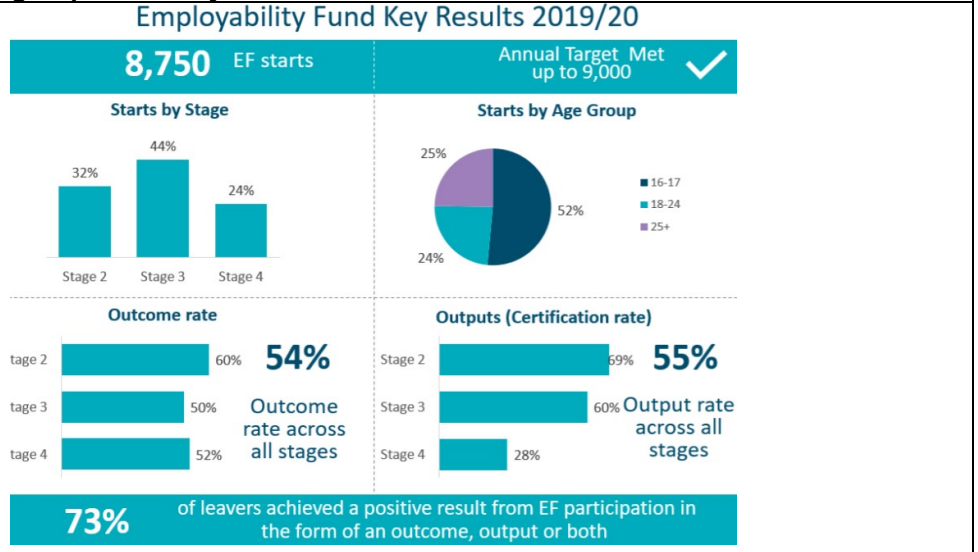
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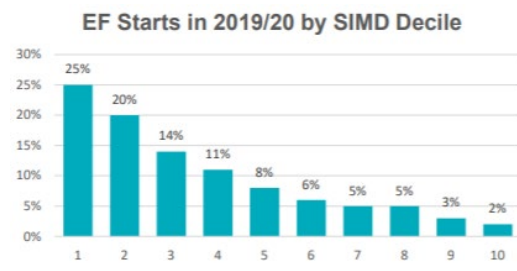
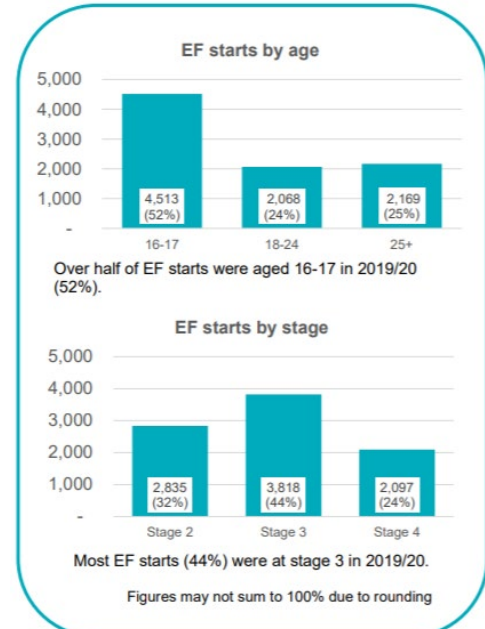
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- ### Equality
- Gender: There were fewer female than male starts to the Employability Fund in 2019/20, with females accounting for 33% of starts and males accounting for 67%.
  - Disability: 28.2% of EF starts self-identified an impairment, health condition or learning difficulty (I/HC/LD) in 2019/20 compared to 24.3% last year (+3.9 pp). 1
  - Ethnicity: 2 3.8% of EF starts self-identified as being from a Mixed or Multiple; Asian; African; Caribbean or Black; and Other ethnic group, -0.2 pp higher than last year. 3
  - Care Experience: 7.0% of EF starts self-identified as care experienced.

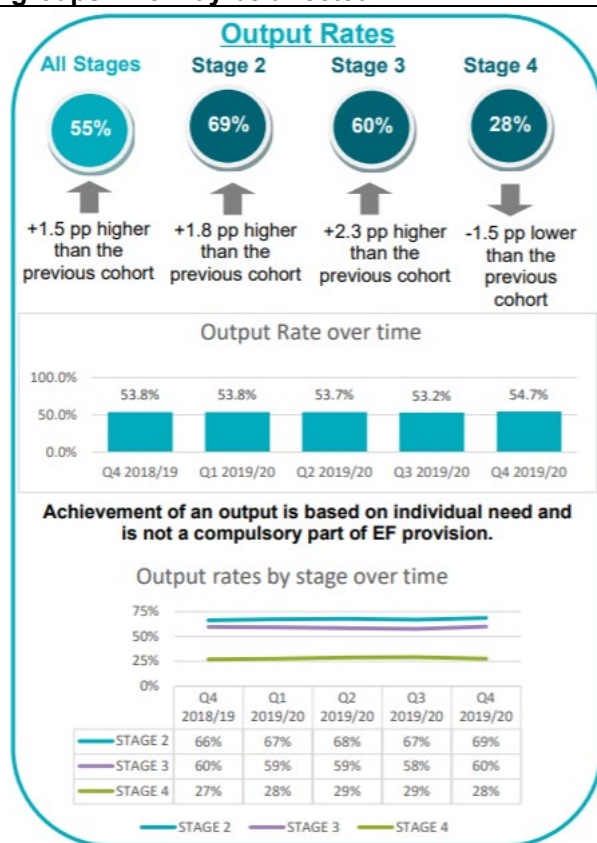


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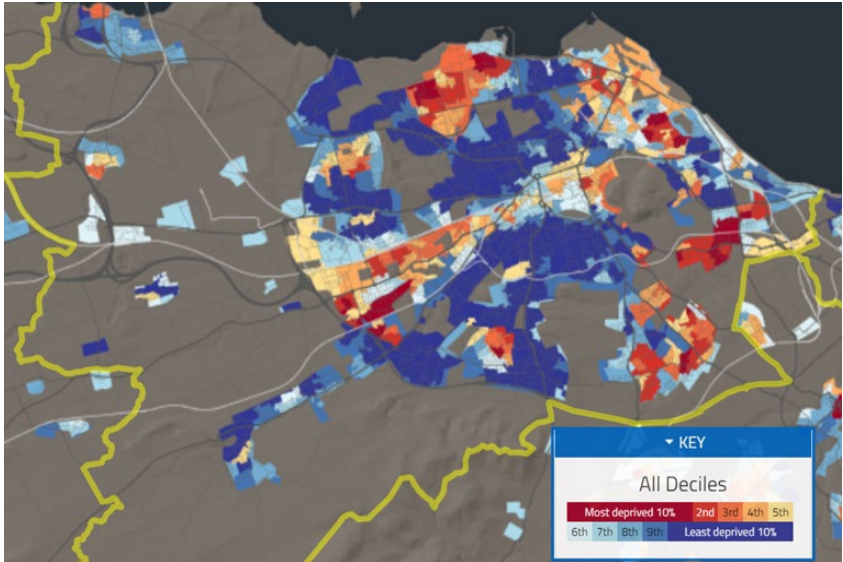


**Table 2:** EF starts in 2019/20 by Local Authority (based on trainee home address) and age

Local Authority	16-17	18-24	25+	Total
Aberdeen City	103	57	66	226
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Angus	84	56	69	209
Argyll & Bute	58	13	11	82
Clackmannanshire	33	15	18	66
Dumfries & Galloway	90	28	62	180
Dundee City	237	117	9	363
East Ayrshire	150	87	74	311
East Dunbartonshire	53	45	27	125
East Lothian	84	35	24	143
East Renfrewshire	20	7	8	35
Edinburgh, City of	251	113	125	489
Falkirk	104	72	39	215
Fife	420	168	294	882
Glasgow City	771	280	265	1,316
Highland	86	56	38	180
Inverclyde	78	61	55	194
Midlothian	80	14	7	101
Moray	29	34	57	120
Na h-Eileanan Siar	24	*	*	31
North Ayrshire	173	94	82	349
North Lanarkshire	466	104	175	745
Orkney Islands	*	7	*	16
Perth & Kinross	76	61	49	186
Renfrewshire	137	73	96	306
Scottish Borders	76	43	49	168
Shetland Islands	*	*	10	17
South Ayrshire	51	64	39	154
South Lanarkshire	352	102	208	662
Stirling	77	26	11	114
West Dunbartonshire	106	92	88	286
West Lothian	159	59	35	253
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,513</b>	<b>2,068</b>	<b>2,169</b>	<b>8,750</b>

**Table 4:** Achievement summary by equality characteristics

Equality Summary (excluding prefer not to say)	Outcome, Output or Both	Leavers	Achievement Rate
<b>Gender</b>			
Female	2,353	3,160	74%
Male	4,418	6,090	73%
<b>Disability</b>			
Disabled	1,531	2,153	71%
Not Disabled	5,004	6,773	74%
<b>Ethnicity</b>			
Mixed or Multiple; Asian; African; Caribbean or Black; and Other ethnic group	277	369	75%
White	6,439	8,798	73%
<b>Care</b>			
Care Experience	438	659	66%
<b>Experience</b>			
No Care Experience	6,223	8,424	74%
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,771</b>	<b>9,250</b>	<b>73%</b>

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		See above for additional information from Poverty Commission and Labour Market statistics.
Data on equality outcomes	Yes	See above
Research/literature evidence	Yes	<p>See Above.</p> <p>A paper containing economic and employability data was also drafted and used to inform the review. This pulled together national and local data from reports including, but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Scottish Government reports,</li> <li>• City of Edinburgh Council reports,</li> <li>• Edinburgh Poverty Commission,</li> <li>• Caselink reports,</li> <li>• Skills Development Scotland reports</li> <li>• Data sources (Nomis and Stat-Xplore),</li> <li>• Capital City Partnership,</li> <li>• SCVO</li> </ul>
Public/patient/client experience information	Yes	<p>Co-Production with citizens and service users has highlighted that those already connected to a Third Party Grants service are really happy with the level of support received.</p> <p>Feedback highlighted that their main requirements for a future service are that they are supportive, personalised and that they take into account wider issues, include health and wellbeing, welfare rights and confidence building.</p> <p><b>Emerging Themes from Service Providers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mix of all stages of the pipeline</li> <li>• should be aligned with occupational growth sectors where there are workforce gaps,</li> <li>• services provided should follow the No One Left Behind ethos and offer holistic, person centred and local targeted employability services,</li> <li>• specific target groups that may need additional support from these employability services include; care experienced, young parents, young carers, disabled people, members of the BAME community, those aged 50+, school leavers and those requiring mental health support,</li> <li>• consideration needs to be given to continued access to benefits, Education Maintenance Allowance or a training allowance for those participating in these employability programmes.</li> </ul> <p><b>Emerging Themes from Clients:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One-to-one support and groupwork</li> <li>• Meeting in local community</li> <li>• Mix of virtual meetings and face to face</li> <li>• Being able to “meet” regularly</li> <li>• Support with interviews/ CVs/ applying for jobs</li> <li>• Wider support, not just how to get a job</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Most popular answer about what help they required was CVs and Job Search with 67%</li> <li>• 55% need careers advice</li> <li>• 51% need work experience and help with work-related skills</li> <li>• 48% need help with confidence and how they’re feeling.</li> <li>• 40% need help with training</li> </ul>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>36% need help with English language</li> <li>27% need help with digital skills</li> </ul>
Evidence of inclusive engagement of people who use the service and involvement findings	Yes	<p>Co-Production – see above</p> <p>Continual co-production with service users will be written into the contracts to ensure that they remained relevant to service users and met their needs.</p>
Evidence of unmet need	Yes	See Above
Good practice guidelines	Yes	<p>In order to continually improve the customer experience, and following consultation with the providers' network, the Joined Up For Jobs partnership introduced a customer care quality standard for provider organisations.</p> <p>Providers seeking City of Edinburgh Council funding are expected to hold or be working towards the Charter.</p> <p>Annual contract management checks will ensure that the level of service is maintained and improved.</p>
Carbon emissions generated/reduced data		N/A
Environmental data		N/A
Risk from cumulative impacts		N/A
Other (please specify)		N/A
Additional evidence required		N/A

## 8. In summary, what impacts were identified and which groups will they affect?

Equality, Health and Wellbeing and Human Rights	Affected populations
<p><b>Positive</b></p> <p>Equality is at the heart of the employability services – accessing good quality opportunities (jobs, training and progressions) is fundamental to reducing inequalities and improving health and wellbeing. Through the NOLB strategy, services are prioritising wellbeing and driving the person-centred approach to delivery and commissioning of services.</p> <p>Creating a Vocational Training Framework to support individuals who are closer to the labour market and that is responsive to growth sectors and labour market demands will more effectively support into sustainable employment.</p> <p>The shift from national services to local services allows it to be more focused on the needs of citizens at a local level and to focus on those in most need. The 20 Minute Neighbourhood agenda will be key to building stronger communities and</p>	<p>All</p> <p>All</p> <p>All</p>

<p>support the innovation at a local level and support local services.</p> <p>Integration with other employability services and related non-employability services will be a key element of the future services. These services are targeted to support clients who have interlinked support requirements.</p> <p>In recent years, more emphasis has been put on co-designing with clients' input and the importance on co production being continual. A new client management information system is currently being designed and will replace Caselink. The new system allows clients to register and book appointments themselves, giving them more control over their data and the services that they require. It enables clients to be more active in the support that they receive. This allows clients to have a more active role within their development.</p> <p>English as a second language is a significant barrier in Edinburgh for those seeking employment. Therefore, an increased focus on encouraging participation from BME projects has already begun. Projects have been engaged with in the past few months to increase representation. Employability networks, through partnerships, have now been able to provide support to those who have been under-represented previously. This will continue to be developed through the NEST grants and Vocational Training Framework.</p> <p><b>Negative</b></p> <p>The nature of the Covid-19 crisis has had an impact on the regular way in which co-production and services are carried out. There was an awareness that it could create a digital exclusion problem because focus groups and surveys could only be held online which could limit those with no access or skills to partake. The employability network and wider stakeholders supported the delivery of co-production by contacting service users by phone to complete surveys in lieu of face to face interactions. This was unavoidable in the current crisis.</p> <p>If the Covid-19 pandemic was to worsen again or continued reduction in face-to-face services continues, the digital divide will be further exacerbated and would have large negative impacts of the equality of opportunities for citizens. This is not specific to this grants process but services in the employability network have been developing solutions to support clients remotely, including increased use of phone and text.</p> <p>Due to the current Covid-19 situation there is a danger in the sectors recruiting staff that cannot accommodate home-working where people think this is their only one option for employment. There is a potential negative mental health impact.</p> <p>There has been a large increase in the prevalence of mental health issues in recent years, largely due to Covid-19. Staff in</p>	<p>All</p> <p>All</p> <p>Minority ethnic people (includes Gypsy/Travellers, migrant workers, non-English speakers) Refugees and Asylum Seekers</p> <p>Those vulnerable to falling into poverty or are already experiencing poverty Low literacy / numeracy</p> <p>Those vulnerable to falling into poverty or are already experiencing poverty Low literacy / numeracy</p> <p>All</p> <p>All</p>
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<p><b>Environment and Sustainability including climate change emissions and impacts</b></p> <p><b>Positive</b></p> <p>As part of the commissioning and co-production process organisations are asked at point of application about their future around sustainability and the environment.</p> <p>Skills Development Scotland are commissioning a paper on the future growth of green jobs. This will allow better strategic planning and allow us to be better informed around where the new job growths could be. It will allow for the alignment of interventions to train those in vulnerable groups to be able to access these jobs.</p> <p><b>Negative</b></p> <p>It is not anticipated that there will be any negative environment and sustainability impacts on anyone engaging with the service.</p>	<p><b>Affected populations</b></p> <p>All</p> <p>All</p>
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<p><b>Economic including socio-economic disadvantage</b></p> <p><b>Positive</b></p> <p>The nature of the strategic interventions planned as part of the Employability Third Party Grants and NOBL2 will be a positive for all areas under the Economic section.</p> <p>The aim of these NEST grants and Vocational Training Framework are to improve the quality of services and to ensure access, both in terms of physical location and accessibility to the service.</p> <p>There is a focus on identifying and targeting the gaps in national provision and other local provision to support those citizens who cannot access or do not want to engage with other provision.</p> <p><b>Negative</b></p> <p>The move from national to local funding of services means that the national promotional campaigns to advertise these services will be lost. Therefore, citizens and service providers might find it tougher to navigate local services.</p>	<p><b>Affected populations</b></p> <p>All</p> <p>All</p> <p>All</p> <p>All</p>
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**9. Is any part of this policy/ service to be carried out wholly or partly by contractors and if so how will equality, human rights including children’s rights, environmental and sustainability issues be addressed?**

All of the NEST grants and the Vocational Training Framework will be delivered by external providers. As part of the Council’s grants process, due regard is required to be given to all equalities and rights, environmental and sustainability impacts when undertaking work for the Council. Bidders will be asked to confirm that policies are in place to support all areas outlined above.

**10. Consider how you will communicate information about this policy/ service change to children and young people and those affected by sensory impairment, speech impairment, low level literacy or numeracy, learning difficulties or English as a second language? Please provide a summary of the communications plan.**

Any decision on the awarding of the grants will be made through the Council’s committee structures. Once a decision has been made on awarding the grants, the associated reports will be available for the public to view on the Council’s Committee Papers Online website.

The chosen providers will provide information about marketing and promotion as part of their application and this will then be discussed on an ongoing basis with the Grant Manager at Capital City Partnership (who are an Arms Length Company of the Council and act as the monitoring team for all commissioned employability services). The providers’ communication plan should also specify how this will be accessible to all clients, taking into account any disabilities or language barriers.

Information about the new services will also be communicated via the Council’s customer facing website and social media channels. In the build up to its launch, the Council will work with the chosen provider(s) to promote this to customers.

The Council will work with other employability providers in the city to promote the new service to customers via the Joined Up for Jobs network.

Any associated media for this service will be designed to be accessible and easy to understand for a range of population groups, especially our target customers.

**11. Is the policy likely to result in significant environmental effects, either positive or negative? If yes, it is likely that a [Strategic Environmental Assessment](#) (SEA) will be required and the impacts identified in the IIA should be included in this.**

No

**12. Additional Information and Evidence Required**

**If further evidence is required, please note how it will be gathered. If appropriate, mark this report as interim and submit updated final report once further evidence has been gathered.**

**13. Specific to this IIA only, what recommended actions have been, or will be, undertaken and by when? (these should be drawn from 7 – 11 above) Please complete:**



<b>Specific actions (as a result of the IIA which may include financial implications, mitigating actions and risks of cumulative impacts)</b>	<b>Who will take them forward (name and job title)</b>	<b>Deadline for progressing</b>	<b>Review date</b>
The impacts of Covid-19 had an impact on the co-production opportunities in designing the NEST grants and Vocational Training Framework. We will work with the network of employability providers and wider peripheral services to help us contact clients via phones to ask for their feedback and to complete surveys.	Katie Weavers Craig Dutton	1 July 2021	completed
Staff in the Joined Up For Jobs network need training and upskilling to support clients with concerns about their mental health/wellbeing. This should be complemented by an increase in training for the Joined Up for Jobs network to ensure understanding of all priority groups and their needs.	Rona Hunter Kate Kelman	31 March 2022	Completed
To ensure clients and service providers have a strong awareness of local services available and are able to navigate these, an emphasis on branding under the Edinburgh Guarantee is important to make sure that all the services are recognisable across the city. This will also involve clear service descriptions and target groups on the Joined Up For Jobs website.	Katie Weavers Craig Dutton	1 April 2022	completed

**14. Are there any negative impacts in section 8 for which there are no identified mitigating actions?**

No

**15. How will you monitor how this proposal affects different groups, including people with protected characteristics?**

The contract will be managed by our arm's length company, Capital City Partnership, who will provide regular reports on performance. This will include the impact the service is having on targeted groups, including those with protected characteristics.

**16. Sign off by Head of Service/ NHS Project Lead**

**Name**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nicky B', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

**Date**

23 April 2022

**17. Publication**

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