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| **Welcome to the new Hull & East Yorkshire LEP Skills newsletter**This is the very first Skills newsletter from the new HEY LEP Employment and Skills Team.  We hope to continue to bring you key  updates from the HEY LEP and our valued stakeholder community.  We really value your contributions, so always encourage you to get in touch if you have something you would like to share also.You are receiving this email as you previously subscribed to the Humber LEP newsletter.  If you would like to continue to be on our mailing list you do not need to do anything, we will keep in touch.  **If you do not want to continue receiving newsletters from us, you simply need to use the unsubscribe option at the foot of this email and we will remove you from our database.** |

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| **Local Skills Report**HEY LEP is pleased to announce the publication of its first [Local Skills Report](https://heylep.us6.list-manage.com/track/click?u=abee2ecac35725ea39841951f&id=2105116ed0&e=3866266ce8) Local Skills Reports are a requirement of all Skills Advisory Panels and were introduced by the Department for Education to provide a clear and consistent view of local skills needs to help partners to respond to labour market needs. The report is underpinned by a set of core indicators, a selection of skills related data provided by the DfE’s SAP Programme Team, with supporting local analysis and intelligence.  The HEY LEP is forming a new Employment and Skills Board (ESB) which will fulfil the requirements of the Skills Advisory Panel.  The HEY Local Skills Report builds on the previous work of the former Humber LEP’s ESB and its work with key stakeholders to identify skills strengths and needs. The report includes a wide range of skills-related indicators, analysis, intelligence and case studies for the Humber area and the HEY region.  The report will be used by HEY’s ESB to develop the Employment and Skills Strategy to address the key priorities identified. We hope that the Local Skills Report will be a useful tool in engaging partners and stakeholders across the HEY region to work collaboratively with the HEY Employment and Skills Board to achieve our aspirations for skills and employment in Hull and East Yorkshire. This report was produced in March 2021 and will be updated again in November 2021.  |

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| **Consultation on Hull’s Economic Strategy 2021 - 2026**In order to rise to the current challenges and take advantage of Hull’s significant strengths and opportunities, Hull City Council have developed an economic strategy for consultation. This will provide a framework to ensure the city benefits from opportunities ahead, linking in to Hull’s Health and Wellbeing and Place Based Strategies and will also inform to the HEY LEP future plans.  [Economic Strategy 2021 - 2026](https://heylep.us6.list-manage.com/track/click?u=abee2ecac35725ea39841951f&id=49ebada349&e=3866266ce8) In order to make sure that Hull City Council set the right priorities and actions for delivery for Hull, they are seeking  comments on the strategy  Please provide your feedback using the surveys [here](https://heylep.us6.list-manage.com/track/click?u=abee2ecac35725ea39841951f&id=51fe2e8f46&e=3866266ce8) Alternatively you can send your comments by Tuesday 11 June 2021 via email to hull.strategy@hullcc.gov.uk. |

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| **Cash boost for T Levels**Employers will be able to claim £1000 for every T Level student they host on a high-quality industry placement, as part of a new incentive scheme [https://www.gov.uk/government/news/cash-boost-for-t-levels](https://heylep.us6.list-manage.com/track/click?u=abee2ecac35725ea39841951f&id=351c7f6e9e&e=3866266ce8).  The [T Level employer incentive fund](https://heylep.us6.list-manage.com/track/click?u=abee2ecac35725ea39841951f&id=6ea3972f0a&e=3866266ce8), launched 27th May 2021, recognises the impact of the pandemic on many businesses, and has been designed to help cover financial constraints employers may face as a barrier to hosting placements in the short term. Employers will be able to claim £1000 for up to 20 students they host on a 45 day (315 hour) industry placement, from now until July 2022. The incentive offers businesses an excellent opportunity to tap into the emerging talent pipeline, whilst supporting the skilled workforce of the future.  Those interested in accessing the incentive payments and offering T Level industry placements should contact: 08000 150 600 (choose option 4) or fill out an [industry placement contact form](https://heylep.us6.list-manage.com/track/click?u=abee2ecac35725ea39841951f&id=6301be5b8e&e=3866266ce8) online: [Next steps | T Levels](https://heylep.us6.list-manage.com/track/click?u=abee2ecac35725ea39841951f&id=b7d079785a&e=3866266ce8) Please see the new [Employer Guide](https://heylep.us6.list-manage.com/track/click?u=abee2ecac35725ea39841951f&id=99ae15fb28&e=3866266ce8) to help businesses understand how to host an industry placement. This includes details on what is expected of employers during the placement.  Also announced, a procurement exercise, of up to £350,000, for an [Employer Support Package](https://heylep.us6.list-manage.com/track/click?u=abee2ecac35725ea39841951f&id=8538aaf43a&e=3866266ce8), will take place in the summer, for an organisation to offer employers T Levels support. Such support will include delivering webinars, and support sessions across England.  |

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| **Cash boost for apprenticeships launched**Businesses can claim £3,000 for each new apprentice they take on From the 1 June, 2021 employers of all sizes in England can now apply for extra funding to help them take on new apprentices, in the latest drive to revolutionise the skills and training offer across the country. [Businesses can apply](https://heylep.us6.list-manage.com/track/click?u=abee2ecac35725ea39841951f&id=fd9d94ef2b&e=3866266ce8) to claim £3,000 for each new apprentice hired as a new employee from 1 April until 30 September. The cash incentive is designed to help more employers invest in the skilled workforce they need for the future, as part of the government’s Plan for Jobs. It builds on the extensive action already underway to protect, support and create more jobs while bringing our skills and education system closer to the employer market and widening the opportunities that are available, as we build back better from the pandemic.  |

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