

## **Hampshire Skills Partnership**

**Thursday 5th March 2026 2 – 4pm**

**At University of Winchester, Sparkford Road, Winchester SO22 4NR**  
**([Google Maps](#))**

**> Please report to Reception upon arrival <**

### **AGENDA**

- 1. Welcome, introductions and apologies** (Sarah Greer, Chair)
- 2. Driving Innovation Through Industry Clusters** (Teresa Hogsbjerg)
- 3. Minutes and actions** [Action log on page 2] **from the last meeting** (All)
- 4. Conflicts of interest – Any verbal declarations from members** (Sarah Greer)
- 5. Hampshire Prosperity Partnership Board update** (Julie Milburn)
- 6. Defence Technical Excellence College: Update** (Virginia Barrett)
- 7. Hampshire and the Solent LSIP: Update** (Sarah Mills)
- 8. Any other business** (All)
- 9. Next meeting:** Thursday 11 June, 2 - 4pm, MS Teams

**>> Please send any apologies to [Jamie.Mackay2@hants.gov.uk](mailto:Jamie.Mackay2@hants.gov.uk) <<**

**Action Log from Hampshire Skills Partnership on 5 December 2025:**

No.	Previous Action carried over:	Who
1	<p><b>Discussion: Exploring the match / mismatch between learners' expectations vs employers' skills demands.</b></p> <p>SG to discuss next steps with other universities on ethical consent, lead institution/s and potential funding bid. – <b>IN PROGRESS</b></p>	SG

No.	New Actions	Who
2	<p><b>Slidedeck</b></p> <p>JaM to circulate the slidedeck, together with the Minutes and Actions from this meeting. – <b>COMPLETE</b></p>	JaM
3	<p><b>Devolution</b></p> <p>(NOTE: Following a separate discussion with the Chair / Vice-Chair, the recorded action has been updated to reflect due process).</p> <p>JaM to circulate an update to the Hampshire Skills Partnership with an update on the changes as a result of the delay in mayoral elections. This update will include considerations for the Partnership with respect to the local skills system between 2026 - 2028. – <b>IN PROGRESS</b></p> <p>The Partnership may then wish to write an update for the Hampshire Prosperity Partnership Board regarding implications for local residents, businesses and education and training providers. – <b>IN PROGRESS</b></p>	JaM  All
4	<p><b>Terms of Reference / Clusters</b></p> <p>Apply changes to the Terms of Reference, as outlined in the document. – <b>COMPLETE</b></p> <p>JaM to invite Teresa Hogsbjerg to the next Hampshire Skills Partnership meeting to present about the work with clusters and explore how the Partnership can collaborate with the Hampshire and the Solent SuperCluster. – <b>COMPLETE</b></p>	MW  JaM
5	<p><b>Local Skills Improvement Plan (LSIP)</b></p> <p>AK and JaM to meet with RM to discuss LSIP direction, timeline and joint-working (including a Steering Group) towards 31 March 2026 deadline for first draft to Skills England. – <b>COMPLETE</b></p> <p>JaM to liaise with Hampshire Skills Partnership to arrange an additional meeting, if required, to feedback on the LSIP report. – <b>IN PROGRESS</b></p>	AK / JaM  JaM

<p><b>6</b></p>	<p><b>Defence Technical Excellence College</b> It is important to note the guidance and application process for this opportunity are still yet to be published by the Government. JaM to share when published. <b>UPDATE:</b> <a href="https://www.gov.uk/guidance/apply-to-become-a-technical-excellence-college">https://www.gov.uk/guidance/apply-to-become-a-technical-excellence-college</a> – <b>COMPLETE</b></p> <p>Outside of the Hampshire Skills Partnership, college principals are meeting to work through if / how a single application from Hampshire and the Solent could work and which college would act as the lead provider. Coordination for this will likely happen outside of the Partnership but involve many of the members. – <b>COMPLETE</b></p> <p>JaM to explore potential meeting with members of the South Central Regional Defence and Security Cluster who could provide a valuable steer from the industry. JaM to keep Partnership updated on this. – <b>COMPLETE</b></p> <p>MJ and JK to present a paper at the next Hampshire Skills Partnership on how the South Coast Institute of Technology could help with future Technical Excellence College opportunities. – <b>IN PROGRESS</b></p>	<p><b>JaM</b></p> <p><b>(Colleges)</b></p> <p><b>JaM</b></p> <p><b>MJ / JK</b></p>
<p><b>7</b></p>	<p><b>V Levels</b></p> <p>An agenda item to be included at the next Hampshire Skills Partnership meeting. – <b>IN PROGRESS (This will be moved to the next meeting)</b></p>	<p><b>MW</b></p>
<p><b>8</b></p>	<p><b>LEP Legacy Funding</b></p> <p>If there any queries about the LEP legacy funding opportunity (<a href="https://www.hants.gov.uk/business/hampshire-prosperity-partnership/capital-funding-lep-legacy-reserves">https://www.hants.gov.uk/business/hampshire-prosperity-partnership/capital-funding-lep-legacy-reserves</a>), please contact JaM. – <b>COMPLETE</b></p>	<p><b>All</b></p>
<p><b>9</b></p>	<p><b>Hampshire Skills Partnership Working Group</b></p> <p>The Partnership would like to task the Working Group to look at and report on employer engagement activity across the area: What does it look like? What works? How can we reduce duplication and maximise engagement? – <b>IN PROGRESS</b></p> <p>This will help inform and shape related actions from the Get Hampshire Working Plan and the Hampshire Skills Strategy.</p>	<p><b>JaM</b></p>