

# Devolution in the North

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*From 2019-20, around 50% of the Adult Education Budget (AEB) will be devolved to 6 Mayoral Combined Authorities (MCAs) and delegated to the Greater London Authority (GLA). This Devolution workshop will provide the latest information on policy developments and operational processes as the 2019/20 academic year approaches.*

*Join us as we discuss developments within the North covering the following areas:*

*Greater Manchester Combined Authority  
Liverpool City Region  
Tees Valley Combined Authority*

# Introductions

## David Jones

David joined NCFE in November 2018 as Product Manager for Adult Education and Skills, with a particular focus on AEB and devolution. David joined NCFE from Northumbria University where he worked for 11 years, most recently as Country Manager for a number of different European markets. David led on strategies including EU student recruitment and stakeholder relationships.

## Harinder Matharu

Harinder joined AELP in December 2018 as the Devolution Policy and Implementation Director with an immediate focus on AEB devolution and working closely with the MCAs / GLA and providers. Previously, Harinder spent 10 years working for the Skills Funding Agency and the National Apprenticeship Service with experience of provider management and working across government departments on skills policy and training.

# Agenda

1. AEB 2019/20 - Devolved v Non-Devolved Funding
2. What will the ESFA fund?
3. Greater Manchester
4. Liverpool City Region
5. Tees Valley
6. New Deals
7. Skills Mapping
8. Provider Lists
9. Discussion
10. Questions

# AEB 2019/20 - Devolved v Non-Devolved Funding

Devolved AEB across 7 areas	Non-Devolved AEB from ESFA
50% of total AEB	50% of total AEB
Allocated by MCAs/GLA through grants and contract for services through recent procurement	Allocated by ESFA through grants and contract for services
Delivery in the <b>devolved area only</b> for which providers hold a grant or contract	Delivery in <b>any non-devolved area only</b> for new learners and <b>any 2018/19 carry-over learners in any area</b> for which providers hold a grant or contract

- Consider partnering with grant or contract for services providers and deliver under a subcontracting arrangements
- Check the relevant devolved area's set of devolved AEB performance management and funding rules on their individual websites.

# What will the ESFA fund?

ESFA AEB funding rules 2019/20: [https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/804647/AEB\\_2019-20\\_rules\\_24\\_May\\_draft\\_v.1.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/804647/AEB_2019-20_rules_24_May_draft_v.1.pdf)

## Note the following update:

*‘Ministers have agreed that for a period of two years (2019 to 2020 and 2020 to 2021) providers that meet the following criteria will be funded nationally:*

- qualify for a financial residential uplift for their learning provision, and*
- receive more than two thirds of their income from AEB funding, and*
- predominantly target the most disadvantaged learners’*

**This refers to providers within the devolved Combined Mayoral Authorities & Greater London Authority;** for institutions within these geographies, this funding will apply, co-ordinated through the national ESFA office. The ESFA state that this section *‘reflects the new legal framework which applies further to the devolution of adult education functions’*.

The providers which currently meet these criteria are:

- Fircroft College, Birmingham,
- Richmond and Hillcroft Adult and Community College, London,
- Northern College, Barnsley, and
- Ruskin College, Oxfordshire

With the exception of Richmond and Hillcroft Adult Community College, where a specific arrangement is in place with the Mayor of London/GLA, funding attributable to delivery by these providers is not included in devolved budget shares.

Allocations to these providers was administered nationally by the ESFA in March 2019. These providers can use this funding to deliver provision to eligible learners resident anywhere in England. Devolved authorities, should they wish to, are able to have additional funding relationships in place with the above providers during the 2 year transitional period.

# Greater Manchester



- £92m - Total funding under devolved AEB
- £20m – Estimated tender value
- 22 – percentage procured
- Bidders have been notified - not published yet

GMCA are in negotiations with providers that succeeded at the ITT stage:

- Lot 1 – 12 out of 23 providers
- Lot 2 – 5 out of 12 providers

## Economic and social mobility indicators

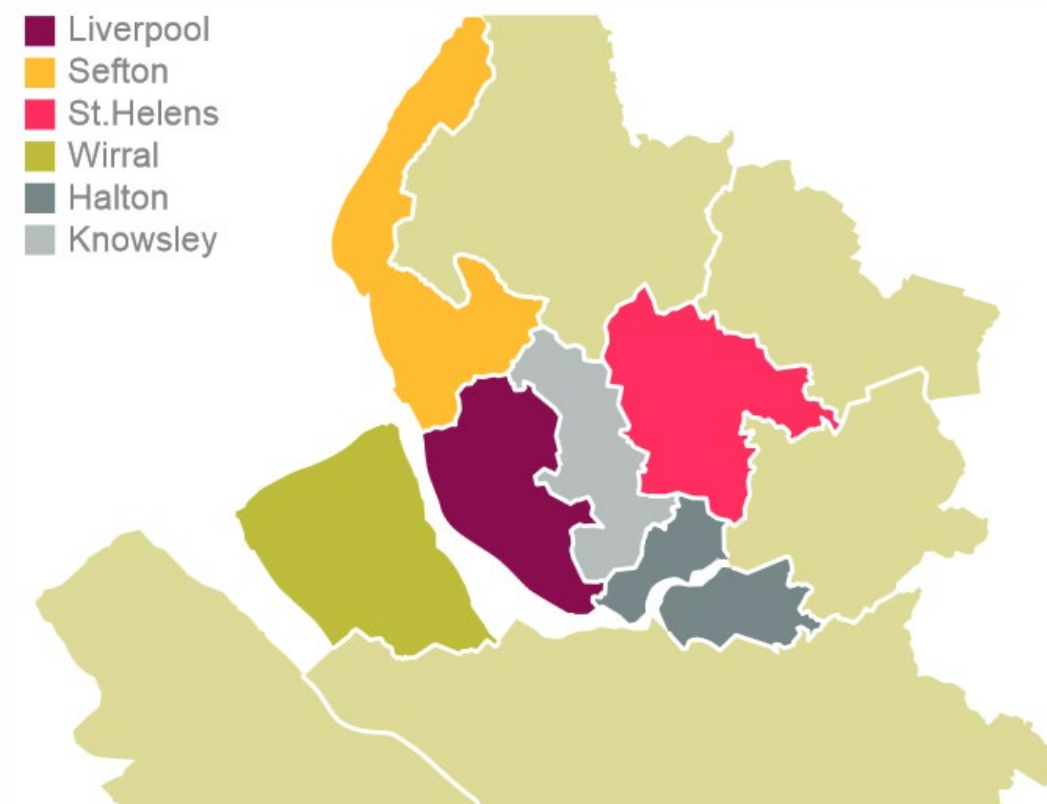
	Greater Manchester (Numbers)	Greater Manchester (%)	North West (%)	Great Britain (%)
All People				
Economically Active†	1,392,900	76.4	76.9	78.5
In Employment†	1,329,600	72.8	73.8	75.1
Employees†	1,138,700	62.8	64.3	64.3
Self Employed†	186,700	9.8	9.3	10.6
Unemployed§	63,400	4.5	4	4.2
Males				
Economically Active†	750,400	81.9	81.8	83.3
In Employment†	715,300	77.9	78.3	79.7
Employees†	579,000	63.7	65	65.3
Self Employed†	133,100	13.9	12.9	14.1
Unemployed§	35,100	4.7	4.2	4.2
Females				
Economically Active†	642,500	70.9	72.2	73.7
In Employment†	614,300	67.7	69.4	70.6
Employees†	559,800	62	63.6	63.2
Self Employed†	53,600	5.7	5.7	7.1
Unemployed§	28,200	4.4	3.8	4.1

	Greater Manchester (Level)	Greater Manchester (%)	North West (%)	Great Britain (%)
All People				
Total	421,000	23.6	23.1	21.5
Student	116,900	27.8	25.5	26.9
Looking After Family/Home	102,800	24.4	23.1	23.6
Temporary Sick	10,700	2.5	2	1.9
Long-Term Sick	112,900	26.8	26.4	22.7
Discouraged	#	#	0.3	0.4
Retired	40,000	9.5	13.5	13.2
Other	36,500	8.7	9.1	11.3
Wants A Job	89,300	21.2	19.1	20.8
Does Not Want A Job	331,700	78.8	80.9	79.2

	Greater Manchester	North West	Great Britain
Number Of Workless Households	156,700	391,800	2,943,800
Percentage Of Households That Are Workless	17.4	16.9	14.5
Number Of Children In Workless Households	76,800	171,900	1,280,500
Percentage Of Children Who Are In Households That Are Workless	13.8	12.6	10.7



# Liverpool City Region



- £50-52m – Total funding under devolved AEB
- £10-£15m – Estimated tender value
- 20-29 – percentage procured

Bidders have been notified – not published yet

- 19 ITPs
- 8 FECs
- 6 LAs

## Economic and social mobility indicators

	Liverpool City Region (Numbers)	Liverpool City Region (%)	North West (%)	Great Britain (%)
<b>All People</b>				
Economically Active†	742,900	74.3	76.9	78.5
In Employment†	716,900	71.7	73.8	75.1
Employees†	635,100	64	64.3	64.3
Self Employed†	80,100	7.5	9.3	10.6
Unemployed§	26,000	3.5	4	4.2
<b>Males</b>				
Economically Active†	386,800	78	81.8	83.3
In Employment†	371,700	74.9	78.3	79.7
Employees†	316,000	64.6	65	65.3
Self Employed†	54,500	10.2	12.9	14.1
Unemployed§	15,100	3.9	4.2	4.2
<b>Females</b>				
Economically Active†	356,100	70.7	72.2	73.7
In Employment†	345,200	68.5	69.4	70.6
Employees†	319,100	63.5	63.6	63.2
Self Employed†	25,600	4.9	5.7	7.1
Unemployed§	10,900	3.1	3.8	4.1

	Liverpool City Region (Level)	Liverpool City Region (%)	North West (%)	Great Britain (%)
<b>All People</b>				
Total	248,800	25.7	23.1	21.5
Student	57,100	22.9	25.5	26.9
Looking After Family/Home	57,600	23.1	23.1	23.6
Temporary Sick	5,600	2.2	2	1.9
Long-Term Sick	74,400	29.9	26.4	22.7
Discouraged	#	#	0.3	0.4
Retired	29,400	11.8	13.5	13.2
Other	23,900	9.6	9.1	11.3
Wants A Job	46,900	18.9	19.1	20.8
Does Not Want A Job	201,800	81.1	80.9	79.2

	Liverpool City Region	North West	Great Britain
Number Of Workless Households	102,600	391,800	2,943,800
Percentage Of Households That Are Workless	20.9	16.9	14.5
Number Of Children In Workless Households	45,100	171,900	1,280,500
Percentage Of Children Who Are In Households That Are Workless	16.6	12.6	10.7

# Tees Valley



- £30.5m – Total funding under devolved AEB
- £30.5m – Estimated tender value

Bidders have been notified – not published yet

## Economic and social mobility indicators

	Tees Valley (Numbers)	Tees Valley (%)	North East (%)	Great Britain (%)
All People				
Economically Active†	309,600	73.6	75.3	78.5
In Employment†	287,600	68.4	71.1	75.1
Employees†	254,900	61.1	62.5	64.3
Self Employed†	31,300	7	8.3	10.6
Unemployed§	22,000	7.1	5.3	4.2
Males				
Economically Active†	162,000	78	79.3	83.3
In Employment†	148,600	71.5	74.2	79.7
Employees†	126,400	61.4	62.8	65.3
Self Employed†	21,300	9.7	11.1	14.1
Unemployed§	13,400	8.3	6.2	4.2
Females				
Economically Active†	147,600	69.4	71.3	73.7
In Employment†	139,000	65.4	68.1	70.6
Employees†	128,500	60.7	62.3	63.2
Self Employed†	10,000	4.5	5.6	7.1
Unemployed§	8,600	5.8	4.4	4.1

	Tees Valley (Level)	Tees Valley (%)	North East (%)	Great Britain (%)
All People				
Total	108,200	26.4	24.7	21.5
Student	25,000	23.1	25.4	26.9
Looking After Family/Home	26,000	24	22.4	23.6
Temporary Sick	3,900	3.6	2.7	1.9
Long-Term Sick	27,600	25.5	27	22.7
Discouraged	#	#	0.5	0.4
Retired	15,700	14.5	12.7	13.2
Other	9,300	8.6	9.3	11.3
Wants A Job	14,200	13.2	18.7	20.8
Does Not Want A Job	94,000	86.8	81.3	79.2

	Tees Valley	North East	Great Britain
Number Of Workless Households	47,200	168,000	2,943,800
Percentage Of Households That Are Workless	22.4	19.8	14.5
Number Of Children In Workless Households	24,500	72,000	1,280,500
Percentage Of Children Who Are In Households That Are Workless	19.2	15.3	10.7



# New Deals - MCA's Awaiting DfE Approval

<b>North of Tyne (NoT) AEB devolution for 2020/21</b>	Timescales to be confirmed - expected timescales late 2019 <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mayor (Jamie Driscoll – Labour) confirmed 3<sup>rd</sup> May</li><li>• Data sharing agreement in place with EFSA</li></ul>	Finalising details of a market engagement event in the next week or two.  Website will be updated to share progress updates <a href="https://www.northoftyne-ca.gov.uk/the-devolution-deal">https://www.northoftyne-ca.gov.uk/the-devolution-deal</a>
<b>Sheffield City Region (SCR) AEB devolution for 2020/21</b>	Timescales to be confirmed - expected timescales late 2019 <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Government confirmation that the devolution deal can go ahead</li></ul>	<a href="https://sheffieldcityregion.org.uk/devolution-update/">https://sheffieldcityregion.org.uk/devolution-update/</a>

## Skills mapping analysis against sub-sector subject areas.

Using skill strategy, industrial strategy and other MCA/GLA process documents.

Sector Subject Area	Greater Manchester	Liverpool City Region	Tees Valley
01.1 Medicine and Dentistry			
01.2 Nursing and subjects and vocations allied to medicine			
01.3 Health and social care			
01.4 Public Services			
01.5 Child development and well-being			
02.1 Science			
02.2 Mathematics and statistics			
03.1 Agriculture			
04.1 Engineering			
04.2 Manufacturing technologies			
04.3 Transportation operations and maintenance			
05.2 Building and construction			
05.3 Urban, rural and regional planning			
06.1 ICT practitioners			
06.2 ICT for users			
07.1 Retailing and wholesaling			
07.2 Warehousing and distribution			
07.4 Hospitality and catering			
08.1 Sport, leisure and recreation			
08.2 Travel and tourism			
09.3 Media and communication			
12.1 Languages, literature and culture of the British Isles			
14.1 Foundations for learning and life			
15.2 Administration			
15.3 Business management			

Skills priorities are subject to change

Areas not included
03.2 Horticulture and forestry
03.3 Animal care and veterinary science
03.4 Environmental conservation
05.1 Architecture
07.3 Service enterprises
09.1 Performing arts
09.2 Crafts, creative arts and design
09.4 Publishing and information services
10.1 History
10.2 Archaeology and archaeological sciences
10.3 Philosophy
10.4 Theology and religious studies
11.1 Geography
11.2 Sociology and social policy
11.3 Politics
11.4 Economics
11.5 Anthropology
12.2 Other languages, literature and culture
12.3 Linguistics
13.1 Teaching and lecturing
13.2 Direct learning support
14.2 Preparation for work
15.1 Accounting and finance
15.4 Marketing and sales
15.5 Law and legal services

Greater Manchester		
shortlist to stage 2 – successful provider to be confirmed		
Access to Music	ITP	
Aspire Education Academy	ITP	Multiple CAs
Babington Group Ltd	ITP	Multiple CAs
Back 2 Work Complete Training	ITP	Multiple CAs
Best Practice Training & Development Ltd	ITP	
Blue Apple Training Ltd	ITP	
Busy Bees Training Academy	ITP	
Gateshead College	college	
Gloucestershire College	college	
Groundwork	ITP	
HCT Group	ITP	
HIT Training Ltd	ITP	
Interserve Learning & Employment	ITP	Multiple CAs
Jarvis Training Management Ltd	ITP	
LD Training Services Ltd	ITP	
LMR Recruitment	ITP	
Mantra Learning Ltd	ITP	
MAXIMUS People Services Limited	ITP	
Novus	ITP	
Pathway First Limited	ITP	
PeoplePlus Group Ltd	ITP	
Proper Job	ITP	
Rathbone	ITP	
Rochdale Training	ITP	
Seetec Business Technology Centre Limited	ITP	Multiple CAs
Standguide Limited	ITP	
System Group Limited	ITP	
The Education and Skills Partnership Ltd	ITP	
The Growth Company Limited	ITP	
The Training Brokers Limited	ITP	
TMP Studios CIC	ITP	
Total People Ltd	ITP	
UK Curriculum and Accreditation Body (UKCAB)	ITP	
Warrington & Vale College	college	
White Rose School of Beauty and Complementary Therapies	ITP	
Workers Educational Association	VCSE	Multiple CAs

Grant Providers – to be confirmed

Liverpool City Region - procured			
Birkenhead Sixth Form College	grant	college	
Hugh Baird College	grant	college	
Myerscough College	grant	college	
Riverside College	grant	college	
Southport College	grant	college	
St Helens College and Knowlsey College	grant	college	
The City of Liverpool College	grant	college	
Wirral Met College	grant	college	
Halton BC	grant	local authority	
Knowsley MBC	grant	local authority	
Liverpool City Council	grant	local authority	
Sefton MBC	grant	local authority	
St Helens MBC	grant	local authority	
Wirral MBC	grant	local authority	
Warrington & Vale Royal College	procured	college	
Antrec Limited	procured	ITP	
Aspire Education Academy Ltd	procured	ITP	
B-Skill Ltd	procured	ITP	
Crosby Training	procured	ITP	
Innovative Alliance Ltd	procured	ITP	
Interserve Learning	procured	ITP	
Kickstart2Employment Ltd	procured	ITP	
Mode Training Ltd	procured	ITP	
North West Community Services	procured	ITP	
Seetec Business Technology Centre Limited	procured	ITP	Multiple CAs
South West Regional Assessment Centre	procured	ITP	
St Helens Chamber	procured	ITP	
Sysco Business Skills Academy	procured	ITP	
The Growth Company Limited	procured	ITP	
Three Dimensional Training	procured	ITP	
Vocational Skills Solutions Limited	procured	ITP	Multiple CAs
Womens Technology Training Limited	procured	ITP	

Liverpool City Region - Grants	
Birkenhead Sixth Form College	college
Halton BC	local authority
Hugh Baird College	college
Knowsley MBC	local authority
Liverpool City Council	local authority
Myerscough College	college
Riverside College	college
Sefton MBC	local authority
Southport College	college
St Helens College and Knowlsey College	college
St Helens MBC	local authority
The City of Liverpool College	college
Wirral MBC	local authority
Wirral Met College	college

Tees Valley  
All to be confirmed

Note: Combined Authorities yet to officially publish provider lists

# Discussion

## Opportunities

- Subcontracting
- Partnerships
- Provider Networks
- How can we help you?

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# Useful links:

Greater Manchester Learning Provider Network <https://gmlpn.co.uk/>

Greater Merseyside Learning Provider Federation <https://www.gmlpf.net/>

Tees Valley Learning Provider Network <http://www.tvwbl.net/>

Greater Manchester Local Industrial Strategy <https://www.greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk/what-we-do/economy/greater-manchesters-local-industrial-strategy/>

Greater Manchester Independent Prosperity Review <https://www.greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk/what-we-do/economy/greater-manchester-independent-prosperity-review/>

Liverpool City Region AEB Policy Documents <https://www.liverpoolcityregion-ca.gov.uk/governance/policy-documents/#aeb-adult-education-budget>

Tees Valley AEB Policy Documents <https://teesvalley-ca.gov.uk/skills-employment/adult-education-budget/>