Agenda item 14, Employability Pipeline, council, 30th June 2016 - motion

The Council:

- 1) Notes the considerable financial, reputational and operational risks detailed in the paper that could potentially have an impact on local partners as well as the Council particularly the 11 "red" risks where mitigation of these risks cannot be managed to an acceptable degree;
- 2) Notes the key challenges faced by Argyll and Bute in terms of the successful delivery of an Enhanced Employability Pipeline due to the dispersed population and complex geography of the local area and resulting high cost of delivery;
- Notes that the Economic Development Service does not currently have the total amount of required match funding to recruit the necessary additional staff to develop, manage and deliver the Argyll and Bute Enhanced Employability Pipeline, regardless of the stages or phases identified for delivery;
- 4) Agrees, with regret, not to progress with the Argyll and Bute Enhanced Employability Pipeline at this time, recognising that the indicative allocation from the European Social Fund for the area of £3.66 million will not then be available within Argyll and Bute.

Proposer: Councillor Aileen Morton Seconder: Councillor Roddy McCuish