

## **LEAD MEMBER FOR ECONOMY**

DECISIONS made by the Lead Member for Economy, Councillor Penny di Cara, on 17 March 2026 at Remote Meeting via Microsoft Teams

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Councillors Adeniji and Geary spoke on item 4 (see minute 10)

### **6. DECISIONS MADE BY THE LEAD CABINET MEMBER ON 14 OCTOBER 2025**

6.1 The Lead Member approved as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 14 October 2025.

### **7. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS**

7.1 There were none.

### **8. URGENT ITEMS**

8.1 There were none.

### **9. REPORTS**

9.1 Reports referred to in the minutes below are contained in the minute book.

### **10. ADULT SKILLS FUND: 2026/27 GRANT ALLOCATION AND DELIVERY ARRANGEMENTS**

10.1 The Lead Member considered a report by the Director of Communities, Economy and Transport.

## DECISIONS

10.2 The Lead Member RESOLVED to:

- 1) Accept the additional Adult Skills Fund allocation; and
- 2) Delegate authority to the Director of Communities, Economy and Transport to take any actions necessary in relation to the implementation of the additional Adult Skills Fund in line with existing responsibilities for Adult Skills Fund (Skills Bootcamps and Adult Community Learning).

## REASONS

10.3 The indicative allocation of £940,000 Adult Skills Fund presents a significant opportunity to support residents to upskill, and address labour-market gaps highlighted in the Get Sussex Working Plan, Local Skills Improvement Plan and the East Sussex Prosperity Strategy.

10.4 Delegation of authority to the Director of Communities, Economy and Transport to take any actions necessary in relation to the implementation of the Adult Skills Funding, and in line with existing delegations relating to Skills Bootcamps and Adult Community Learning, will ensure the programme is implemented efficiently.