Welcome and thanks!

- Thanks for coming along
- We'll start shortly...











Housing Association Community of Practice

November 2023









Agenda

What?	When?	Who
Introductions, feedback & policy Update	2-2.15	Polly Persechino
Networking and group discussion	2.15-2.45	Kirsty Hogg
Reed in Partnership	2.45-2.55	Ursula Johnson
Reflection and feedback	2.55-3.00	Polly Persechino









Welcome!

Why?

Networking

Good practice

Knowledge

Funding & collaboration

You said...

More about programmes and partnership referrals

You wanted more networking/time to hear what others are doing

You liked the detail on what other areas are doing

More about opportunities for funding and collaboration









SLP Policy Updates

UKSPF

LSIP

Other Funding

Collaboration

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South London Retrofit Taskforce



South London has over 635,000 properties to decarbonise.

Our research estimates that approximately 66,250 personyears will be required to deliver the interventions required to retrofit our buildings over the next 10 years.

To make sure that our workforce will be ready. with the skills and knowledge needed to meet ambitious national and local next zero targets. we are bringing together contractors, social landlords, local authorities, further education providers universities urban planners and policy makers to coordinate the supply of skills and to strengthen the pathway to retrofit opportunities, through the South London





The Retrofit Taskforce will improve the coordination and quality of the skills skill provision and strengthen the supply chain by:

- Developing a Retrofit Skills and Training Plan.
- Improving the supply chain of people entering construction/retrofit workforce.
- Supporting the existing workforce to get the new skills and training required to meet retrofit demands.

Join the South London Retrofit Taskforce If you would like to get involved simply scan this QR code and xpress your interest et back to you with

Activity to date:

- Delivered three scoping workshops
- Secured over 20 members from a range of stakeholders
- Agreed Term of Reference and the groups aims and aspirations

We then identified a **DESNZ** funding package that would support this programme and bring additionality to the sub-region







Following a competitive funding bid, SLP were successful in securing funds to develop a Retrofit Skills Plan, awarded by Greater South-East Net Zero Hub

The Call:

Local projects in the Greater South East area to take part in DESNZ Regional Skills Pilots.

- Phase 1: (September 2023 to December 2023) Preparation of a plan, no more than 30 pages long.
- **Phase 2**: Implementation (December 2023 to March 2024) Objective is to implement some of the activity in the plan, through skills projects

Further Implementation: (April 2024 to March 2025). The objective will be to deliver more of the evidenced activity identified in the plan. This is subject to budget confirmation and approval in Spring 2023 for delivery in 2024/25.

Phase 1

SLP Deliverables:

- 1. Retrofit Skills Plan
- 2. Retrofit Taskforce
- 3. Launch of the Taskforce
- 4. Comms and engagement campaign for the supply chain

Phase 2

SLP Deliverables:

- 1. Supply Chain Engagement
- 2. Curriculum

 Development Fund
- 3. Retrofit Innovation Pilot





Networking & Discussion

- 1. Any examples of good practice to share
- 2. Collaboration projects?
- 3. Any areas of help needed?
- 4. Funding required?
- 5. Links with Local Authorities
- 6. Links with local Employment Support Organisations











Spotlight on

Reed in Partnership











Work and Health Programme

Provider Programme & Referral Information







Employability Offer: commissioning boroughs



Programmes X3:

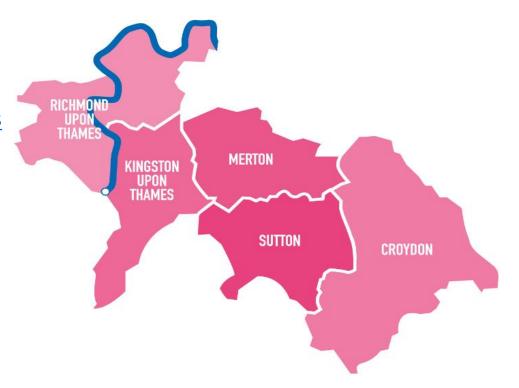
Work and Health aka Better Working Futures

<u>Pioneer Work Routes</u>

<u>Refugee Employability Programme aka REP</u>

Good to know:

All programmes function on an entirely voluntary participation basis



Work and Health: Eligibility Criteria



Participants are eligible if they fall into one of the following categories:

People with a disability or health condition

Early Access Disadvantaged Groups:

- carers; ex-carers;
- homeless;
- former Armed Forces or member of Armed Forces Reserves; partner of current/former Armed Forces personnel;
- person with a drug/alcohol dependency;
- care leavers;
- refugees;
- young people in gangs;
- ex-offenders; and
- victims of domestic violence.



Work and Health: Offer



- Personalised care and support
- Face-to-face by-weekly appointments with a designated employment advisor
- Access to in-house skills develop programmes, including resilience building workshops
- Facilitated access to accredited courses via links with local colleges
- Access to in-house health and wellbeing support
- Access to cost-of-living support services, including better-off benefit calculations
- Access to **childcare toolkit** –local offer information
- Travel expenses (interviews)
- Vouchers for interview and work wear clothing
- Career progression routeways sessions linked to local skills academy programmes e.g., Green skills workforce programmes etc.
- In-work support to better manage any reasonable adjustments needs



Pioneer Work Routes: Eligibility Criteria



Work Routes helps economically inactive people to start working

Eligibility:

Some of the reasons jobseekers might be eligible can include:

- They are economically inactive (unemployed and not in the UC IWSR or JSA. Claiming other benefits, or no benefits, means they are eligible); or:
- They have a health condition or disability and need more support than can be provided within standard Jobcentre or other available services; or
- They fit into one of the following groups: see here for further details



Pioneer Work Routes: Offer



Good to Know:

Pioneer Work Routes is an expansion of the DWP's Work and Health programme designed specifically to support people who are economically inactive: it is also a phase of <u>Universal Support</u>

Offer:

Work Routes provides additional support that is distinct and additional to that available through Jobcentre.

It helps people with multiple barriers to work and/or a disability or health condition, using integration with other local community services.





REP (Refugee Employability Programme): Eligibility



The Refugee Employability Programme is here to help you if you:

- Are 18 years old or over
- Are younger than 66 (State Pension age)
- Are not in full-time education or employment
- Are actively seeking work
- Do not have an illness or disability that stops you from working
- Have arrived in the UK under certain schemes (not including Homes for Ukraine)



Refugee Employability Programme aka REP: Offer



The three types of support are:

- 1. Employability support
- 2. English language support
- 3. Integration support

N.B: which elements of support a refugee receives will depend on how they have entered the UK and what support they already receive.

Good to Know:

The service was **developed in consultation with refugees and stakeholders** in the refugee support sector.

The REP uses a case-working model.

N.B: Contact details for REP can be found on slide 10



Referral process



Step 1. Complete the online referral form for the relevant programme:

- 1. Work and Health Refer someone
- 2. Pioneer Work Routes Refer someone
- 3. Refugee Employability Programme aka REP: Refer someone

Step 2. Optional — you can send a referral notification to the team lead responsible for caseloads in your borough — this also serves as a way for you to keep connected with your local Reed in Partnership team:

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Reflection

What information would make these sessions more useful?

Please can you take the last few minutes to complete the following poll or add comments in the chat:

https://forms.office.com/e/mXGkKZX4SB

- What did you like (or not)?
- What do you want more of?









Please do get in touch

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