

PROGRESS REPORT TO EXECUTIVE OVERSIGHT GROUP

Reporting Period:	Sector-Based Support Group: Aerospace and Space
	Group Lead: Simon Foster

Group Objective	Guidelines	Milestone RAG Status
Support the economic recovery and renewal of the above sector, with Community Wealth Building at the heart, in response to the profound and unprecedented impact of Covid-19 Pandemic on the economy.	Milestone completed	
	On target	
	Minor delays up to one month	
	Delays greater than one month	

Key Milestones/Deliverables (e.g. establish group membership, communications plan agreed & by whom, strategic resources plan agreed & by whom)	Due Date	RAG Status
Recovery & Renewal Action Plan produced and agreed by REP		
Business case for Decommissioning MRO completed (Commercial in Confidence)	End March	
Secure interim funding for training program	End April	
Outline Business Case for ASIC (Innovation and Training facility) approved by government	30 October 2021	

Key Actions - update on activity:
<p>1. Since the last reporting period, what development has taken place in terms of a recovery and renewal plan for the above sector?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Business case development completed which demonstrates viability of Decommissioning project -NMIS/Strathclyde university/Ayrshire college have collaborated with the team to secure £300k to establish a three month pilot program for Decommissioning training
<p>2. Since the last reporting period, what quantitative and qualitative information has the group identified, collated & interpreted with regard to the impact of Covid-19 on the sector?</p>
<p>3. Since the last reporting period, what support has been provided to the sector in terms of a response to the pandemic?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Funding secured as above and training facility is being set up- Photos attached

<p>4. Since the last reporting period, what actions have been identified and/or implemented to support recovery and renewal within the sector, including financial implications of measures proposed?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - See above, the plan is to publicise the training on offer during may and start the pilot courses in June - The Program is being led by David Butler in his role as Government Decommissioning champion supported by South Ayrshire council/Ayrshire college with Chevron Aircraft Maintenance as the Private sector lead - Training will be targeted at the unemployed and people who have recently lost jobs in the sector
<p>5. Since the last reporting period, what collaborative work has taken place with the other sector-based recovery and renewal groups to ensure a joined-up approach?</p> <p>-Strong alignment with the Ayrshire skills group led by Andrea Glass and this will align with the above noted activity as well as the longer term strategic resource planning for the sector</p>
<p>6. What engagement has taken place since the last reporting period with local businesses and the wider community, and what support has been realised from this?</p> <p>Private sector is fully engaged in the Aerospace and Space workstream, all businesses within the Prestwick cluster are represented</p>
<p>7. Since the last reporting period, what work has been identified or undertaken that has linkage with / impact on the Ayrshire Growth Deal?</p> <p>This project is fully integrated into the growth deal</p>
<p>8. What work has been identified or undertaken since the last reporting period that has an impact on climate change?</p> <p>The Project has clean decommissioning of Aircraft as its core premise</p>
<p>9. What work has been identified or undertaken since the last reporting period that has an impact on skills and training within the sector?</p> <p>-As above the new facility is already well advanced located in the warehouse previously used by Parcel Force adjacent to the existing Chevron facility</p>
<p>10. What work has been identified or undertaken since the last reporting period that has an impact on digital infrastructure within the sector?</p>
<p>11. What work has been identified or undertaken since the last reporting period that has an impact on business support for the sector?</p> <p>As noted above the private sector is fully engaged and leading much of the activity</p>
<p>12. What work has been identified or undertaken since the last reporting period that has linkage with / impact on Community Wealth Building?</p>

What issues have been identified since the last reporting period?	What mitigating actions have been taken/considered to overcome these issues?
<p>The sector continues to perform with job losses at a much lower scale than first feared. The business case for decommissioning is strong and we have made the first steps to establish a new training facility, however this is a three month pilot at this stage and we will need to secure the follow on support</p>	<p>Work is already underway to develop the long term funding mechanisms</p>

What actions/support/resources/decisions are required by the Executive Oversight Group or the Ayrshire Economic Partnership Board?
<p>This workstream has identified real opportunities for the sector and is operating effectively across the public and private sectors, however, resource is a challenge and relies on much goodwill from many of the participants. Additional resource to support the team is essential if we are to maintain the pace.</p> <p>The group is also aware that the Space opportunity is progressing with a target to have first test flights by summer 23 and Commercial flights by the end of that year</p>



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