



# Adult Learning & Skills

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## Aim of the session:

- The current landscape
- Key questions
- Proposals for change
- Support for delivery



# The current landscape



# The national picture

- The Leitch Review of Skills
  - Lord Leitch 2006, Prosperity for all in the global economy
  - Identified an urgent need to raise achievement at all levels
  - Recommended to becoming a world leader in skills by 2020
  - Government, employers & individuals
- Sub-national review
  - Close working relationships between skills and economic development
    - Business clusters
- The Learning Revolution



# The regional picture

- Eastern Region
- 11 Authorities
- Support available



# The local picture

- Children's Services Directorate
  - Learning & Skills
- Adult Learning & Skills Strategy Group
- Adult Learning & Skills Strategy Manager
- Adult Learning & Skills Partnership (March '09)



# Key questions

- What is it we are trying to achieve?
  - Engage with learning
  - Acquire new skills
  - Gain new qualifications
- Why?
  - Give people choices
  - Give people the opportunity to improve life chances
  - Raise people's aspirations



# Key questions

- What will it look like?
- What will be the effect on Peterborough?
  - A better skilled workforce able to respond flexibly to new challenges and support the planned growth and prosperity of the city
- How are we going to do it?



# Proposals for change

## Five key themes

- Employer engagement
- Structured & flexible progression pathways
- Collaborative partnership working
- Alignment of plans, initiatives & strategies
- Customer focused services & products



# Delivery model

- Communication
- Engagement
- Research / data
  
- *Employer engagement*
- *Provider network*



## Challenges / areas for development

- Buy-in and support for delivery of the strategy in practical terms: Delivery plans
  - Identify resources
- Up-skilling the existing workforce
- Up-skilling the workless population
- Links between 14-19 agenda, skills, business clusters & employability
- Links between University Peterborough, skills, business clusters & employability
- Answers to key questions