

**WB/20-21/024**

**Decision taken by:** **Councillor Jacqueline Meade - Ward  
Member for East Folkestone**

**Subject:** **Future Skills CIC**

**Executive/non-executive decision:** **Non-executive**

**Date decision taken:** **3 September 2020**

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**Name and address of applicant(s):**

Carol Clayson  
Director  
PO BOX 282 FAVERSHAM,  
KENT  
ME13 9BR

**Name and description of project:**

CONSTRUCT A FUTURE - WORKING WITH THOSE THAT HAVE EXPERIENCED  
DISADVANTAGE OF OPPORTUNITY SO THAT THEY CAN ACHIEVE THEIR  
POTENTIAL AND FINANCIAL INDEPENDENCE

**DECISION:**

**To provide funding of £200 to the above project.**

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**Reason for decision:**

We will provide a safe, confidence building, nurturing and empowering environment for our beneficiaries. We will offer training and support to those that have multiple barriers to learning, (language skills, mental health issues, physical disabilities, social exclusion, learning difficulties and disabilities) which excludes them from mainstream education, employment and training. We will deliver City and Guilds bricklaying at Level 1 with embedded skills (English, mathematics and selfemployment).

Candidates will all have an individual learning plan which will identify their academic and soft targets which will all be SMARTA (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Realistic, Timebound and Agreed). All candidates will have support to build confidence and self esteem. It is essential that candidates can apply the knowledge and skills they have learnt. We ask candidates to design and build their own project which they complete at the end of the course. These projects form the basis of an employment engagement day to which local construction companies will be invited. We will liaise with local companies to provide opportunities of work experience, employment and apprenticeships.

The project area is in the 20% most deprived LSOAs in the country (based on the 2010 Index of Multiple Deprivation). Around 65% of the population and 68% of households in this area are in the 20% most deprived parts of the country. Socioeconomic issues include: - High % of population between 16 and 35 years High % of lone parents Unemployment for 25 – 29 year olds is high High % of long-term unemployment High % never worked High % of households with no working adults High % with no qualifications Earnings lower than the national average % with mental health issues is 3 times more than national average.

**Declarations or disclosable pecuniary interest/any other significant interest:**

None

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**The decision set out above was made by me.**

**Signed:**



**Councillor Jacqueline Meade  
Ward – East Folkestone**

**3 September 2020**

