

5. BUSINESS SUPPORT AND LABOUR MARKET UPDATE

The Board considered a report the provided the Board with an update on the work of the Economic Development & Regeneration Service with a particular focus on targeted business support and employability.

It was recommended that the Board:-

- a. Notes the updates on the local labour market, the range of impacts made by the Business Gateway team, progress through the Jobs Task Force and closer partnership working with Heriot-Watt university; and
- b. Request a further report on outcomes in mid-2022.

Arising from discussion, the Board requested that a report on the findings of the Job Task Force analysis of unemployment figures against job vacancy rates be presented to a future meeting.

Decision

To note the terms of the report and agree that a report on the Job Task Force analysis of unemployment v's job vacancy rates be presented to a future meeting.