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## **WORCESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**

## **RECORD OF OFFICER EXECUTIVE DECISION**

Date Of Decision	22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2013			
Decision Maker	Ahmed Goga Head of Economic Development and Planning			
Brief Description Of Decision	The County Council is leading a consortium of partners to apply for £2 million from Skills Funding Agency on behalf of Worcestershire LEP under the ESF Skills Support for Workforce initiative. Subject to approval, the project will address the skills needs of the workforce within Small to Medium Size Enterprises (SMEs). There is no financial commitment from Worcestershire County Council to access the funding. If successful Worcestershire County Council will be the Accountable Body for the project. The project will be delivered by sub-contracting to local Colleges and Private Training Providers to provide skills to address business needs.			
Reason(s) For Decision	The project will benefit Worcestershire's economy by providing support to local SMEs and their workforce, contributing to the Council's core objectives under the Open for Business strand of the Corporate Plan.			
Alternative Options Considered And Rejected	There are no alternative options available to support this project.			
Any Conflict of Interest declared by a consulted Cabinet Member/ any dispensation granted	Nil			