

Policy WS/IO: Creating inclusive employment and business opportunities through new developments

SUPPORT Comment - supporting 'local labour' future proofing operations and Employment and Skills plan:

With reference to S/PRIA/EG and the Elizabeth Way bridge and Underpass(es) cultural hub project, I support local retention of labour and SMEs. Key to future-proofing operational sustainability is to promote Cambridge local small to medium size businesses and start ups through affordable space provisions including Artists workshops, makespaces, exhibition spaces, shops a.o. as well as offering apprenticeships and access to the creative industry and opportunities for youth and young people / students and graduates. Commercial anchor functions could include local, ethical food + beverage offerings as well as local sports clubs, entertainment and recreational provisions supporting day and nighttime economies, in line with local demand.

SUPPORT Comment - supporting Youth and young people:

With reference to S/PRIA/EG and the Elizabeth Way bridge and Underpass(es) cultural hub project, Councils have a statutory duty to undertake a needs assessment and mapping to ensure they are capturing the young person's voice to help shape youth provision in line with section 507B of the Education Act 1996.

SUPPORT Community-led arts and cultural development:

With reference to S/PRIA/EG and the Elizabeth Way bridge and Underpass(es) cultural hub Community project, the core group consists of chartered architects, artists/teachers, local residents and politicians and local businesses. The core working group identifies as the developer, seeking early and continued liaison with the council, and is well positioned to take the project through planning, procurement, build and operational phases. The founding concepts include promotion of local skills and talent, young people and the Arts, promoting local employment/businesses and local procurement opportunities in the planning, construction and operational stages.