

Gateway 1 Capital Grants

As part of the first Gateway submission process, delivery consortia could bid for capital grants to support their proposals. The City of York 14 – 19 Partnership was successful in Society, Health & Development (£240k contribution) and Engineering (£275k). The plans for expenditure outlined in the submission have been progressed and were approved in detail by the 14 – 19 Planning Group of Heads, Principals, LA and LSC Officers in February 2008. Since then procurement and purchasing has been actioned in collaboration with council officers, including the Director of Finance. This was necessary due to the innovative nature of the Society, Health & Development plans.

Details of the expenditure are given below:

Society, Health & Development

Purchase of a Skills Bus to take specialist facilities to learners in schools and colleges rather than transport learners to a single venue incorporating them. This project has the additional benefit of making use of existing relevant facilities in the schools and colleges. It was developed with the support and encouragement of the national diploma development group, which has contributed £30k.

A 4 year business plan has been developed to take this forward and includes the following estimated costs in year 1:

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| Vehicle Purchase (Airport style Bus) | £25k |
| Conversion costs | £75k |
| Non Fixed equipment | £60k |
| Storage, maintenance and insurance | £15k |
| Driver facilitator salary and support | £30k |

The plan includes an agreed annual contribution of £50 per participating learner from from partner institutions.

Engineering

Our initial Diploma delivery strategy requires the development of 2 school based centres to provide for Key Stage 4 delivery and to supplement York College facilities at Key Stage 5. These centres will be at Archbishop Holgate's School and York High School. Specialist equipment has been purchased for these centres including:

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| 2 x Laser printers | £27k |
| 3 x Lathe/Mills | £44k |
| 3 x Routers | £37k |

Additionally, site licenses for software and other equipment for use across the partnership have been purchased including:

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| 11 x Portable lathes | £74k |
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