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FOR NORTH EAST AND WEST YORKSHIRE

Report of Councillor Derek Bastiman (Scarborough Borough Council)

The main issue discussed at the Board was the consultation on revisions to the operational programme, namely that the Performance Monitoring Committee agreed in March that there should be a review of the Programme Strategy to ensure that the Programme remains deliverable and that it is still able to address the economic issues facing the region. The review was undertaken by a Task Group made up of partner representatives. It is proposed that the funding for a new priority namely 6 [known as priority 6] will be moved from priority 2 [supporting and stimulating successful enterprise]. It is proposed in this consultation that £40m from the rest of the region and £30m from South Yorkshire is moved into priority 6. Match funding from public or private sources at 49% in the rest of the region and 35% in South Yorkshire would maintain the balance of the program financial tables. Priority 2 currently represents 56% of the rest of region total ERDF program funding and 33% of the South Yorkshire allocation. It is undersubscribed at present with 38% of funding committed for both areas. The aim of priority 6 is adaptation to and mitigation of climate change ie; to support the development of a low carbon economy in Yorkshire and the Humber responsive to the challenges brought by climate change, through investment in the physical environment, including built and natural assets and energy infrastructure and promoting green jobs.

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