Future Jobs Fund

£5,000 available to create a new job
Your organisation could benefit from a government initiative aimed at creating new jobs.

Up to £5,000 will be available for the employment costs of each new job. In addition there could be (dependant on eligibility) a £1,000 Recruitment Subsidy, and the possibility of funding to provide in-work training.

Each Job must be:

- New – The funding cannot be used to fill current vacant posts.
- A minimum of 25 hours per week and last for at least 6 months.
- Paid at the national Minimum Wage (or above)
- Be of benefit to the local community or have an environmental or cultural benefit
- Commence between October 2009 and March 2010.

Who will the Jobs be for?

- Young unemployed individuals aged between 18 and 24 years old who have been unemployed for coming up to twelve months.
- In some cases people who are older and live in unemployment hotspots.

How will it work?

- Jobcentre Plus will refer eligible candidates to the employer.
- Employers will be encouraged to sign a Local Employment Partnership.
- Payment will be up front for agreed start up costs, and the remaining funds paid over 6 months.

Candidates will be:-

- Job ready – they will receive pre employment training in core employment skills, and be eligible for funded employment training before and during the employment period.
- Fully supported during the employment period by qualified staff sensitive to the needs of both the employer and the employed individual.

How do I get involved?

Shropshire Council will be submitting a bid for these funds and at this stage needs to understand how many jobs might be created throughout the County. If you think that your organisation could support this initiative, please complete the pro-forma.

There is no commitment at this stage. The information will help to inform the bid, and we will be in contact with you in the late summer if we are successful in obtaining the funds.

Future Jobs Fund Expression of Interest

Name .....
Job Title .....
Organisation .....
Address .....
.....**Post Code** .....
Tel No .....
Email Address .....

Please give brief details of what the job will be and explain what the community, environmental or cultural benefit will be for each job you may wish to create:-

Job Title	Hrs per week	What is the community/ environmental/cultural benefit	When will the job start (between Oct 09 and March 2010)

Please return this form to:-
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