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Sector Skills Action Plan 2009/10: SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY & ADVANCED MANUFACTURING

	Action	Outcome	Start date	Finish date	Person/s Responsible	Progress
1.	Constitute a task group to address the future skills needs of the science, technology and advanced manufacturing sectors locally	The creation of a sustainable, multi-agency task group with private sector representation	April 09	May 09	Halton Borough Council	
2.	Define precisely the Science, Technology and Advanced Manufacturing Sector in Halton	Clearly identify the scale and composition of the sector locally	April 2009	April 2009	Halton Borough Council	
3.	Audit the sector in Halton	Identify all companies within the sector in both absolute terms and by activity	April 2009	May 2009	Halton Borough Council	
4.	Model the labour demand and projected skills needs of the sector until 2020	A clear, evidence based analysis	May 2009	September 2009	Halton Borough Council in partnership with LSC/Sector Skills Councils	
5.	Canvas the views of the business community within the sector locally to ascertain more precisely the labour needs of the	A more precise and tailored analysis of the demand for labour and skills over the medium term	May 2009	September 2009	External consultants	

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	sector and to qualify the results of the modelling exercise					
6.	Audit existing education and training provision pertinent to the sector locally	Identification of any gaps or shortcomings in existing provision	May 2009	July 2009	Halton Borough Council/LSC	
7.	Develop a clear and quantifiable route way whereby the young people of the borough can progress from full time education into training and then into a meaningful career in the science, technology and advanced manufacturing sector while simultaneously providing the sector with a skilled, motivated and flexible workforce	The creation of a viable route way which is aligned with other regional and sub-regional provision, for example the City Region Employment Strategy	June 2009	March 2010	Science, Technology and Advanced Manufacturing Skills Group	