

**Meeting of the North East Strategic HR Forum (via Teams)**

**Wednesday 21 October 2020 (10.30am)**

**A G E N D A**

**COVID – Response**

1. End of Furlough – anyone looking to use the Jobs Support Scheme?
2. Enforcement and local compliance funding – any update on use of Marshalls
3. Test and trace & the Support Payment scheme - any issues?
4. Number of staff working from home / return to workplace – Any issues?
5. Lockdown restrictions – any issues / challenges to share? Communication issues resolved?
6. Covid-19 Contain Track and Trace / staff told to self-isolate - any issues?
7. Staff still shielding but unable to work from home – any issues?
8. Impact of Return of schools – any on-going issues?
9. PPE – any issues?
10. COVID-19 survey – any issues?

**Other issues**

1. £95k Exit Cap – anyone submitted a consultation response? Anyone undertaken impact assessments?
2. Any redundancies planned / any considerations ?
3. Any TU issues at moment?
4. Free recruitment support for ICT, planning and legal – anyone accessing this?
5. Kickstart Scheme grant guidance – anyone using Kickstart scheme?
6. LG Organisational Development Programme – 60 councils taking part so far opportunities for other OD / HR people to join if you haven’t already

1. **Any other business**

1. **Frequency and Next Meeting**