

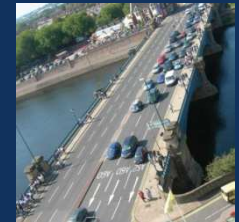


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Coordination and Prioritisation of Skills

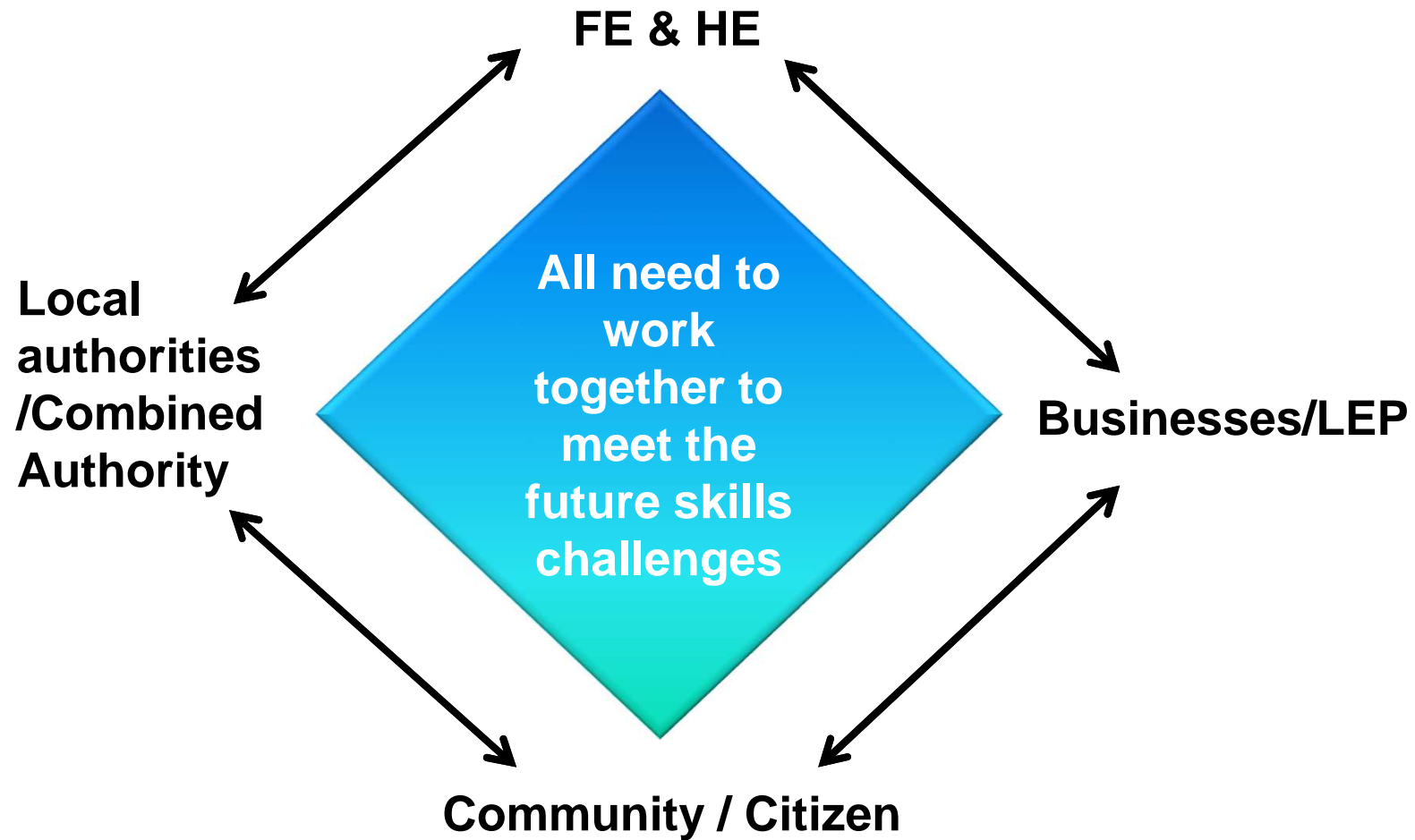
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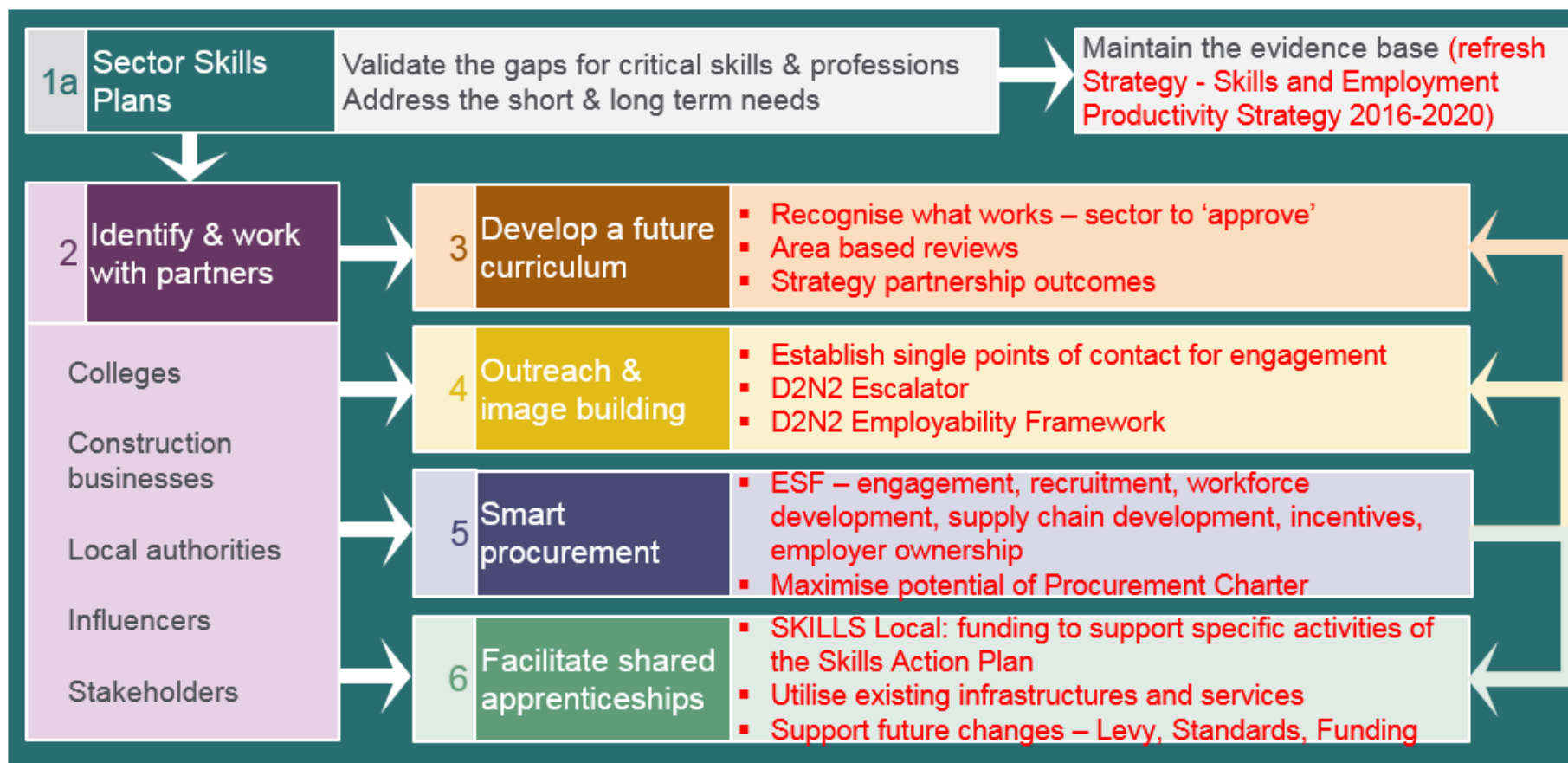


Stakeholders



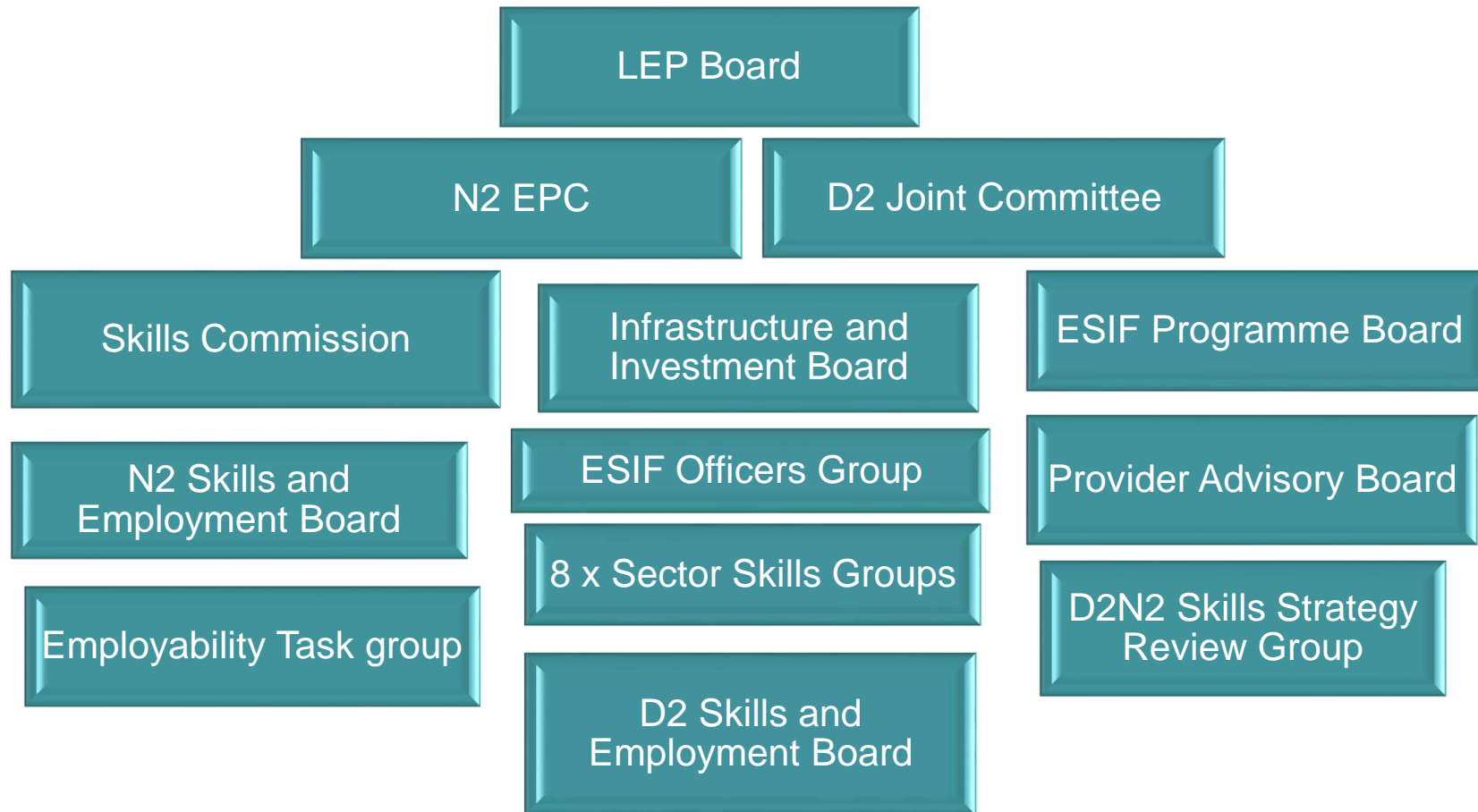


Skills Activities: Now and Future





Existing Structure





Review of Current Structures

- Do we need to move towards an integrated board focussed upon skills across the whole area (in readiness and linked to the existing Governance structures and a future Combined Authority) which would include representation and leadership from:
 - Politicians
 - Business
 - Education
- There is likely to be a demand and requirement for more coordinated work to succeed in delivering a combined authority or future devolution deal
- There is currently a large number of groups/meetings with differing levels of engagement and focus often still focussed on analysing rather than delivering / changing
- There is a requirement to ensure there is an appropriate split between advice and commissioning, bidding, delivery and monitoring/scrutinising the different funding streams including ESIF
- A priority to build refreshed energy through a review the role and membership of some of the existing groups
- No dedicated central support for skills – therefore fragmentation and confusion of priorities and objectives



Plan of Action

Skills Strategy:

- Joint Needs Analysis (29 June 2016)
- Refresh of Strategy (workshop dates):
 - 11th July - 10-1pm - FE providers
 - 12th July - 1-4pm - Districts / LAs
 - 13th July - 2-5pm - Social Inclusion
 - 15th July - 10-1pm - Business Sector
- Strategy Partnership Agreement

Influencing (without Devolution):

- Evidence base
- 'Voice' of local business
- Communicate Policy Changes
- 'Joint' conversation with Government, BIS and SFA
- 'Join-up' existing local services and funding
- ESIF
- Skills Capital



Concerns and Opportunities

CONCERNS:

- How much change can we really **influence**?
- **What will a 'localised budget' look like** (geographical area; LEP level, Local Authority, Combined Authority, Devolved Area)
- Devolved areas working **to different timescales** and levels of change (eg varying the skills allocations and priorities)

OPPORTUNITY TO SHOW READINESS:

*FOR SKILLS AND EMPLOYMENT SHOULD
WE move towards an integrated 'service' focussed
upon skills across the whole area (in readiness
and linked to the existing Governance structures
and a future Combined Authority)*



Purpose and Benefits

Whilst the timeline for a CA or devolution deal is unclear it is essential to show Government that we are committed to:

- Improved coordination and partnership working on planning and delivery
- Ensuring that we are engaging all the right stakeholders at the right levels and operate as a single voice
- Ensuring governance and structures are fit for purpose and meeting future needs of collaboration to be able to influence effectively
- Communicating and being transparent with each other and our partners