

## TVCA Assessment Summary

### Note:

1. This summary will be completed for each project TVCA invests in. It summarises the results of the appraisal and due diligence undertaken.
2. This form will be published on the TVCA website and the applicant reserves the right to redact any commercially sensitive information.

<p><b>SEP Theme:</b></p> <p>Education, Employment and Skills</p>	<p><b>TVCA Ref &amp; Project Lead:</b></p> <p>TVIF0029 Stockton Riverside College – IT Infrastructure Investment at Redcar and Cleveland College</p>
<p><b>Project Description:</b></p> <p>This proposal supports the strategic aim in the Investment Plan and the Education, Employment and Skills Strategy to support infrastructure in training facilities that support the outcomes of the Area Based Review. This proposal supports the aim to have good FE facilities in each town in the Tees Valley and it supports more residents to access training, supports digital training for supplying a skilled workforce for the Digital priority sector.</p> <p>As part of the planned merger with Stockton Riverside College and Redcar and Cleveland College, a detailed review has been undertaken of existing technology at both Colleges. This review has highlighted the need for investment to improve the IT infrastructure at Redcar and Cleveland College site. Capital investment is requested to purchase and install:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Data links;</li> <li>• Networks (switches, wireless, servers, storage and server software);</li> <li>• Firewall;</li> <li>• Telephony;</li> <li>• Classroom touchscreen displays;</li> <li>• Desk-top and tablet computers and</li> <li>• Printers and software.</li> </ul> <p>There has been no significant investment in IT infrastructure or equipment at Redcar and Cleveland College for more than a decade. The College is in a weak financial position with declining learner numbers and a poor Ofsted rating. This investment is aimed to improve the management and facilities at Redcar and Cleveland College, contributing to the future sustainability of FE provision in the area for learners age 16+.</p>	
<p><b>Date of Investment Decision:</b> Planned for 1<sup>st</sup> June Cabinet</p>	

### Funding Model:

Source	Total
TVCA	£968,436
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**Type of Investment and Return:** TVCA Capital Grant – both Stockton Riverside College and Redcar and Cleveland College do not have the available capital resource to invest in this scheme.

### Outputs:

Output	Total
Number of Apprenticeships Supported	+340
Number of Learners Assisted	+510

### Key Milestones:

Milestone	Date
Start Date	June 2018
Practical Completion Date	September 2018
IT Upgrade Operational	September 2018

### Due Diligence Undertaken:

A proportionate assessment has been undertaken in accordance with the Assurance Framework. External due diligence was not required.

### Approval Conditions:

Further work is undertaken on the options appraisal, associated costs and benefits and a final positive Benefit Cost Ratio (BCR) to ensure value for money prior to entering into a funding agreement.

The applicant to provide a final formal legal opinion on State Aid position.

Part 1 - £390,176 for the major infrastructure works that must take place in the summer period is to be paid prior to the finalisation of the merger, with the ability for TVCA to clawback if a suitable merger doesn't take place; and

Part 2 - £578,260 to be paid once the merger is complete.

**Major Risks:** Financial & Deliverability

Potential time and cost overruns as the merger is currently not complete and costs have been estimated– this will be managed through the due diligence and the Combined Authority’s funding agreement with SRC (including monitoring and reporting arrangements)

**Appraisal Score:**

Strategic	4	<p><b>Summary</b></p> <p>Each case is out of 10. The strategic case is lower due to the scale and scope of the project. It has clear links to delivering the Strategic Economic Plan but in one specific area. The commercial case covers procurement and commercial arrangements relating to services and assets that are required to implement a proposal. This project scores well, as whilst this is not a commercial investment, the necessary commercial arrangements such as ownership, design etc. are in place. The financial case is low due to this being 100% grant funding from TVCA and also as the costs are currently estimated. A thorough procurement process will be undertaken to ensure value for money and any variations will be managed in line with the Assurance Framework.</p>
Economic	8	
Commercial	10	
Financial	1	
Management/Legal	10	
<b>Overall Score*/%</b>	<b>33/50 67%</b>	

<50% Red, 50-75% Amber, >75% Green

Policy Lead Signature:	Investment Director Signature:	Finance Director Signature:	Managing Director Signature:
Date:	Date:	Date:	Date: