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Groundwork

- A federation of 37 Trusts:
  - working with three quarters of the Local Authorities in England and Wales
  - Working in 91% of the most deprived areas
- Last year we:
  - Supported 800,000 days of volunteering
  - Improved 1470 hectares of land
  - Worked with 15,000 businesses to save 120,000 tonnes of CO_2
  - Helped 2,500 people back into education and training and created 1,700 jobs.

Groundwork and FJF

- Successful national partnership with National Housing Federation.
  - 2,348 jobs in first tranche
  - Delivered through 30 Groundwork Trusts and over 70 RSL and ALMO
  - Rising to 6,300 jobs if bid extended to full duration
  - In 177 local authority areas
  - Wide range but focusing on housing wardens, environmental conservation, energy efficiency and waste management
- Groundwork nationally is involved in over 30 other bids delivering
- These will deliver up to 1000 more jobs
- My Trust is working with two other “City” Bids
- We are negotiating to be involved with a further two

FJF – How are we getting on?

- Nationally
  - 800 vacancies posted with JCP
  - Approx 100 starts
  - MI System online tomorrow – live national tracking of progress
- Locally
  - Target of 72 jobs in 1st tranche
  - 56 jobs advertised to date
  - 45 referrals to the end of December
  - 28 inducted and working in 2 locations

FJF – Local Partnership

- Leeds
  - 10 starts to date
  - 4 partnership teams with ALMOs
  - 13 staff due to start in community and youth teams
- Bradford
  - 13 staff in first tranche due by end of January
  - Partnership teams agreed in principle with InCommunities and local management teams

FJF – Pennine 2000

- Calderdale
  - 10 ERT starts in October
  - 5 are with a “Groundwork Team”
  - 5 work with Pennine 2000 teams with ALMOs
  - Full localised induction by Pennine 2000
  - Green Doctor Team of 8 staff now recruited

FJF – Some key points

- Nationally
  - This was as new to DWP as it was to us
  - Providers were listened to in the development and bidding phase
  - There were/are still some fundamentals to sort:
    - VAT
- Locally.
  - Don't assume that the workings of national programmes find their way down to local JCP offices
  - The benefits of continued partnership working with other successful bidders – through development and delivery phases.
  - Some difficulties in making a fit with training provision
  - Learning from applicants what they want from the programme

FJF – NEET young people?

- Who have joined the programme
  - Predominantly young men
  - Educational attainment?
  - Known to the system?
  - Previous work experience?
- What are they like?
  - Positive/motivated
  - To date, testament of the value of work to young people and their willingness to get involved

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Some huge numbers – what's to play for

- Global Environment services sector
  - $458bn in 2004
  - $800bn 2015
  - $3trillion by 2050, employing 25 million people
- Is the UK keeping up?
  - In Germany- 1.5m people in the green economy
  - In UK – 400,000

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