

## Annex B – SRP amendments

### Department for Work and Pensions

<b>SRP #</b>	<b>November text</b>	<b>New text</b>	<b>Reason for change</b>
1.1(x)	Begin implementation of the Universal Credit	Begin national implementation of the Universal Credit.	Additional detail provides clarification.
Previous 1.7(iii)	Draft regulations on localising Council Tax Benefit and consult with the Social Security Advisory Committee.	Removed.	Responsibility for this action has transferred to the Department for Communities and Local Government and now features in that department's Structural Reform Plan.
1.9	Further reduce fraud and error in the benefits system to a maximum of 1.8% of expenditure.	To reduce the level of benefit expenditure overpaid to a maximum of 1.7% by 2015, as part of the joint DWP and HM Revenue and Customs Fraud and Error Strategy commitment to reduce annual welfare overpayments by over one quarter over the Spending Review period.	In line with the Government's announcement in its Fraud and Error Strategy.
2.2	Promote self-employment to unemployed people and, through the New Enterprise Allowance, give up to 10,000 unemployed people per year access to the advice and support they need to start their own business	Promote self-employment to unemployed people and, through the New Enterprise Allowance, give up to 40,000 unemployed people access to the advice and support they need to start their own business by 2013.	In line with the Government's announcement.
2.2(iii)	Design and establish a financial support package for would-be entrepreneurs, including those from disadvantaged groups, to access as part of the New Enterprise Allowance, once they have demonstrated the viability of their ideas. Financial support package to include a weekly allowance and small affordable loan scheme	Develop a plan to raise awareness of self-employment for all jobseekers, including supporting the growth of a national network of locally-led, community-based Enterprise Clubs to support unemployed people looking to move into self-employment, giving them the opportunity to access face-to-face support from the start of their claim Action completed	The revised wording for actions 2.2.iii to 2.2.vii more accurately capture the scope and scale of the requirements supporting and complementing the national introduction of the New Enterprise Allowance.  There is no direct cross-reference in the scope of the requirements for action 2.2.iii between the November publication and the revised wording in the May publication.

2.2(iv)	Develop a plan to raise awareness of self-employment opportunities including links with franchising for all jobseekers	Design a programme of support to give customers access to a business mentor, for guidance and support as they prepare to move into self-employment and in the early stages of trading as part of the New Enterprise Allowance Action completed	As above.
2.2(v), 2.2(vi), 2.2(vii)	Launch a phased rollout of self-employment support, initially in areas where the unemployment challenge is highest	(v) Design and establish a financial support package for would be entrepreneurs, once they have demonstrated the viability of their business proposition. The financial support package will include a weekly allowance and small affordable loan scheme, to access as part of the New Enterprise Allowance Action completed (vi) Ensure delivery partners, for mentoring and for financial support, are in place to support roll-out of New Enterprise Allowance (vii) Start: Started End: Aug 2011 Launch a phased national rollout of self-employment support through the New Enterprise Allowance Start: Started End: Aug 2011	As above.
2.3(iv )	Milestone 2J. Preliminary evaluation of Work Clubs completed End: Aug 2011	Preliminary evaluation of Work Clubs completed. End: Sep 2011	Deferring the deadline by one month will allow this evaluation to form part of a wider programme of early research work on the introduction of flexible support in Jobcentre Plus from April 2011. Reporting will be within the Department.

2.5(iv)	Milestone 2O. Preliminary evaluation of Work Together completed End: Aug 2011	Preliminary evaluation of Work Together completed. End: Sep 2011	Deferring the deadline by one month will allow this evaluation to form part of a wider programme of early research work on the introduction of flexible support in Jobcentre Plus from April 2011. Reporting will be within the Department.
2.6	Work with the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills to ensure that Jobcentre Plus, Work Programme providers, further education colleges and other training providers collaborates so that people on active benefits have access to training to find and keep work, and progress once in work. This collaboration will include work with employers top give benefit claimants access to sector-specific training (alongside work experience and guaranteed interviews brokered by Jobcentre Plus) through the proposed 'Service Academies' Start: Started End: Sep 2011	Work with the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills to ensure that Jobcentre Plus, Work Programme providers, further education colleges and other training providers collaborates so that people on active benefits have access to training to find and keep work, and progress once in work. This collaboration will include work with employers top give benefit claimants access to sector-specific training (alongside work experience and guaranteed interviews brokered by Jobcentre Plus) through sector-based work academies. (i) Design and implement an Extension to a Work Experience placement where time to set-up an apprenticeship is needed Start: Started End: Nov 2011 (ii) Extend and deliver Work Experience nationally Start: Started End: Apr 2013 (iii) Roll out a flexible model that combines pre-employment training with a work experience placement Start: Aug 2011 End: Apr 2013	To better align the concept of work academies with the 'Get Britain Working' measures and the 'Work Programme'.

5.3	Introduce the 'Right to Control' in seven locations, giving disabled people the right to have specific services arranged on their behalf or to commission services and purchase equipment directly by taking a cash payment.	Introduce the 'Right to Control' in seven areas, giving disabled people the right to have more choice and control, to have specific services arranged on their behalf, where practical, or to commission services and purchase equipment directly by taking a cash payment or to have a mixture of these options.	The new text better demonstrates the range of available options.
5.3(iii)	Milestone 5B. First biannual data published on the number of people receiving the Right to Control End: Apr 2011	Publish the first biannual data on the number of people receiving the 'Right to Control'. End: Oct 2011	The first bi-annual report was intended to capture the first six months of Right to Control live running from the original planned go-live date of October 2010. The Right to Control start dates were later revised, with Ministerial agreement, so that the final area would go live on 1 April 2011. By delaying the publishing of the data until October 2011, the report will capture at least six months data from all the Right to Control areas.
Previous 5.7	Remove payment of mobility component in Disability Living Allowance for all state-funded residents in care homes after 28 days (and abolishing motability extension for hospital in-patients).	Removed.	The Government has announced that it will not proceed with this change to Disability Living Allowance. For the Personal Independence Payment, which will replace Disability Living Allowance from April 2013, it is considering evidence before deciding the way forward.

5.9	Introduce extra support for disabled people who want to become MPs, councillors or other elected officials.	<p>Promote equality of participation in society</p> <p>(i) Support the Government Equalities Office (GEO) to consult on proposals for providing extra support for disabled people who want to apply for local or national elected office (Started – June 2011)</p> <p>(ii) Support the GEO to analyse consultation responses and announce the way forward (July 2011 – September 2011)</p> <p>(iii) Support the GEO to implement agreed proposals, working with political parties and disability organisations (October 2011 – April 2013)</p>	<p>The wording captures precisely:</p> <p>(i) the roles and responsibilities of the Departments involved in this work; and;</p> <p>(ii) the scope of the Government's approach to promoting equality of participation.</p>
6.1(iv)	6.1(iii) Put benefit advice and common benefits enquiries online End: Jan 2012	Put benefit advice and common benefits enquiries online End: Feb 2012	This costs and benefits of this project were subject to independent scrutiny, including scrutiny as a result of the ICT moratorium. It was agreed that the project should proceed. The process has resulted in a slight delay to the delivery date.

6.1(v)	<p>Introduce automated end-to-end processing of applications, enquiries and changes of circumstance for all benefits, beginning with Jobseeker's Allowance</p> <p>Start: Jun 2011 End: Oct 2012</p>	<p>To significantly improve Jobseeker's Allowance online by fully automating at least 75% of the processes, with the remainder still requiring a value-added intervention from staff</p> <p>Start: Jul 2011 End: Jun 2012</p>	<p>The new text has been drafted in recognition that full automation of all benefits is not possible. One of the primary reasons is that a significant element of the decision/ award process, including applying and checking JSA conditionality, will continue to require human intervention. A second reason is that there are a number of complex 'exception' cases, for example Share Fishermen, which would be extremely difficult to automate.</p> <p>The aspiration is to maximise automation, rather than to fully automate benefits processing.</p> <p>A further consideration is that the introduction of Universal Credit, which will be largely automated, will replace some existing benefits, such as Income Support, and it would not be practical to automate them.</p>
6.6	<p>Respond to the recommendations of Lord Young's review of health and safety, 'Common Sense, Common Safety'.</p>	<p>Implement and build on Lord Young's report, 'Common Sense, Common Safety', to reform Britain's health and safety regime.</p>	<p>In line with the Government's announcement on 21 March 2011 on reforming Britain's health and safety regime.</p>

6.6(iv)	<p>Consult on proposals on consolidation of health and safety legislation and on the operation of current regulations, including consultation on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) The Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences Regulations (Jan – Apr 2011)</li> <li>(b) Draft voluntary code of practice to replace the current Adventure Activities Licensing Authority regime (May – Aug 2011)</li> <li>(c) Consolidation of the current raft of health and safety legislation into a single set of accessible regulations (Mar – Jul 2011)</li> </ul>	<p>Streamline and simplify health and safety legislation by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) consulting on changes to the Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences Regulations (Completed)</li> <li>(b) conducting an independent review of health and safety regulations (Started – Nov 2011)</li> <li>(c) consulting on a draft voluntary code of practice to replace the current Adventure Activities Licensing Authority regime (Jun 2011 – Sep 2011)</li> <li>(d) consulting on the approach to sharing more of the Health and Safety Executive's costs with the businesses that create risks by operating outside health and safety law (Jul – Oct 2011)</li> </ul>	<p>In line with the Government's announcement on 21 March 2011 on reforming Britain's health and safety regime.</p>
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