

STF NEWS

GDPR for Training Providers

Two member workshop sessions on GDPR have been arranged for early June 2018.

The sessions will provide a broad overview of the new GDPR requirements and how they will impact on organisations with SDS contracts.

The first session will be held on 6 June and repeated on 11 June. [Click here for more details.](#)

SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT

Notional Levy spend 2018-19

Scottish Government has provided details of its anticipated spend on skills, training and employability in 2018-19. This equates to the notional spend of the apprenticeship levy funds received from the UK Government. Members can view details in the Member Section (Member Publications) of the STF web site.

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Minister to speak at STF Annual Conference

Jamie Hepburn MSP, Minister for Employability and Training, will be a keynote speaker at the STF Annual Conference and Awards on Tuesday 25 and Wednesday 26 September 2018. [More details.](#)

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Meeting with Skills Development Scotland

STF Chief Executive and members of the Board will meet with SDS officials for a regular quarterly meeting on 19 June 2018.

Members with any issues that they would like raised at the meeting should contact [Stuart McKenna](#)

SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT

Review of Employability Landscape and Services

STF members are reminded that the Employability Fund is currently being reviewed as part of the broader review of the employability landscape by the Scottish Government. A paper outlining the key aspects of the review is available [on the STF web site.](#)

Members are encouraged to send submissions with views and ideas to: NEETpolicy@gov.scot by 29 June 2018.

STF has set up a short life working group to feed in the collective views of members to this review. Additionally, STF has commissioned research into the effectiveness of the EF; results will be shared with members shortly. A meeting for members to discuss the implications of the review – and future of the EF – will be held in June; more details to follow.

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Work First and Work Able statistics published

Scotland's Chief Statistician has published experimental statistics about Scotland's Devolved Employment Services - for the first year of Work First Scotland and Work Able Scotland, which both launched in April 2017.

Information on those referred to ('referrals') and subsequently joining the services ('starts') is presented. A breakdown of referrals and starts by quarter is also provided. [More details.](#)

APPRENTICESHIPS

Scottish Apprenticeship Awards 2018

Applications are now welcomed for the Scottish Apprenticeship Awards 2018. There are three new categories this year, including Apprentice Instructor of the Year.

STF is hosting two workshops (see left column) with top tips to write an award-winning entry and more information on the new categories. The deadline for entries is 27 June 2018. [More details.](#)

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Parents and career choices research

Scottish Government has published a report on research into the role of parents in defining and supporting young people's career choices. The research found that understanding of the range of post-school options was fairly limited: parents were generally aware of the options available, but had very little understanding of the detail of these. University and college were the most well understood and most likely to be the preferred route for their child. [More details.](#)

Forthcoming workshops, meetings and events

1 June 2018

Workshop: [Dealing with disability in the workplace](#)
SCQF, Glasgow

6 June 2018

Workshop: [Scottish Apprenticeship Awards & GDPR](#)
City & Guilds, Glasgow

8 June 2018

Workshop: [Scottish Apprenticeship Awards/SDS Marketing](#)
Premier Inn, Edinburgh

11 June 2018

Workshop: [GDPR & SAAB Apprenticeship Consultation](#)
Novotel, Glasgow

PCS NOTIFICATIONS

FA's at North Lanarkshire

Tender details for the delivery of Foundation Apprenticeships at North Lanarkshire Council have been published on the [PCS web site](#).

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Stakeholder disability events

The Scottish Government is holding events with stakeholders to discuss how to increase the employment rates of disabled people in the public sector. The events will be held in Glasgow, Dundee, Edinburgh, Perth and Aberdeen. [Click here for more details](#).

SKILLS DEVELOPMENT SCOTLAND

Importance of work-based learning

In a blog marking the launch of new Graduate Apprenticeships in Data Science, SDS Chief Executive Damien Yeates explains why the growth of work-based learning is essential in a rapidly changing economy. [More details](#).

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SQA star Awards 2018

Nominations for the SQA Star Awards 2018 are now open! The SQA Star Awards recognise the achievements of individuals working towards SQA qualifications as well as the schools, colleges, training providers and employers who help to deliver SQA qualifications - that enable learners to achieve their ambitions. The closing date for nominations is Friday 29 June 2018. [More details](#).

SKILLS DEVELOPMENT SCOTLAND

New Chair for Skills Development Scotland

Scottish Ministers are looking to appoint a new Chair for SDS. John McClelland CBE, Chair of SDS since 2010, steps down from the role this summer. The appointment will be for an initial three-year term, formally beginning on 1 October 2018. [More details](#).

DYW

'Education should be...'

DYW Glasgow and DYW West have teamed up to tackle the objective of the Year of Young People 2018 - to provide a platform for young people to have their views heard and acted upon. If you are 26 or under, through this platform you are invited to contribute to a bank of thoughts around education in Scotland - by completing the sentence 'Education should be...'

Spread the word – get behind #educationshouldbe by joining the conversation through social media. Training providers are asked to encourage under 26 staff or their apprentices to join in the conversation. [More details](#).

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Job vacancy – Training for Care

Training for Care is a well-established specialist training provider for the childcare and social care sectors in the Lothians.

We are looking for a qualified and experienced SVQ childcare assessor (Social Services Children and Young People SVQ3) to join our team of self-employed professional associates. This will be a part-time role and may include some tutoring as well as assessment of students.

We have attractive terms and conditions which will be discussed on application.

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