

PROGRAMME: S4, S5, S6? WHAT NEXT?

ACTIVITY: ONLINE VIRTUAL EVENT

INDUSTRY: CONSTRUCTION AND HEALTH &
SOCIAL CARE

LOCAL AUTHORITY: ABERDEEN CITY & SHIRE

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Parents, carers and senior phase pupils took part in a webinar, S4, S5, S6? What Next? to hear more about the diverse range of pathways available to young people as they prepare to leave school.

The event was designed and delivered as a webinar to ensure information was still available under covid restrictions, also mindful of those living in more rural locations across the area. As a result, the webinar saw registrants from across the whole of the North East.

Using Labour Market Information (LMI) from Skills Development Scotland's Regional Skills Assessments report, the event focussed on two growth sectors in the area, namely Construction and Health & Social Care.

There was a total of 472 bookings

- 325 of type parent/guardian & young person
- 87 parent/guardian individually
- 47 individual young people
- 13 other categories.



Presentations were given by local speakers from Bon Accord Care, Balfour Beatty, NESCol, Robert Gordon University and Tullos Training. Skills Development Scotland (SDS) provided valuable insight to the different types of apprenticeships available eg. Foundation Apprenticeship, Modern Apprenticeship and Graduate Apprenticeship. Each of the speakers shared their knowledge and experience explaining how the different pathways could be accessed.

As well as presenters the content was further enriched by the inclusion of videos of young people with first-hand experience in a range of apprenticeships.

SDS also provided a view into My World of Work, a great online platform with lots of useful tools to help identify pathways. There was also a reminder that MyWOW, as it is affectionately known, also has great information for parents and carers and certainly worth exploring.

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Steve Petrie, Chair of DYW NE steered the attendees through the evening helping to make the connections between the different pathways. He acknowledged that these are challenging times and it was important for all key influencers ie. educators, parents, employers and partners like DYW and SDS to work together to support young people find a pathway suited to them and to reinforce the message that there is #nowrongpath.

OBJECTIVES

To inform parents/carers and young people of the many different pathways available to them in their pursuit of employment, and to provide signposting to further resources.

IMPACT

From the polls conducted during the event we were able measure that 89% of attendees would take action as a result of the event, and 53% of attendees were not aware of the different types of apprenticeships prior to the event.

BENEFITS

The event was able to be reached by a wide audience, many of which live in a rural location.

EFFECTIVENESS

From the results of the polls, it was evident that the event was informative and well received. All 11 of the Aberdeen City Secondary Schools and 16 out of the 17 Aberdeenshire Secondary Schools were represented as well as one Independent school

JIM BOOTH, TRAINING EXECUTIVE, TULLOS TRAINING:

Thank you for an excellent event, I've had a few messages this morning for people who were at the event and found it so useful. Please feel free to ask me again if you are planning on anything like this in the future.



CAROL MASSEY, BON ACCORD CARE:

Great feedback and what a brilliant event - Well done to all. Thanks again for involving us.

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