

SOUTH YORKSHIRE SKILLS STRATEGY

Priority themes

- 1. **More jobs, better jobs – beyond Covid**
 - LEP and Labour Market Overview - growth sectors
 - Strategic Economic Plan and Recovery Action Plan
 - Local Skills Improvement Plan trailblazers
 - Marginalised communities
 - Aspirations/destinations

- 2. **Releasing Talent and Raising Aspiration**
 - All age IAG for careers, effectiveness of careers support
 - Celebrating success – good news stories, case studies
 - A step change for young people – a Youth Offer?
 - Traineeships and Apprenticeships – higher level and entry level
 - Supporting womens' aspiration (Mayoral commitment)

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- 3. **Opportunity and progression**
 - **Adult education - review of the approach and delivery in South Yorkshire**
 - **Skills for Life – basic English, maths and digital skills**
 - **Achievement at Level 2 / 3 (inc Full Level 2 funding, T Levels)**
 - **Local pathways for progression – plotting a course within SY**
 - **Creating opportunities**

- 4. **Inclusion and skills retention**
 - **Importance of place and accessibility of opportunity**
 - **Youth employment / NEETs – especially hidden NEETs and post Covid**
 - **Opportunities for people facing barriers inc people with LLDD (Mayoral commitment)**
 - **Older people facing unemployment – skills ‘pivot’; mentoring**
 - **Working Win / health led trials**

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- 5. Skills for employment at the heart – high-level skills and economic transformation
 - STEM, Digital etc
 - Staff development
 - Graduate retention
 - Aspirations/destinations
 - Working with DWP programmes – Kickstart, Restart
 - South Yorkshire Jobs Fund
 - Leadership and management skills

- 6. A strong and collaborative skills landscape
 - Collaborative provider base – FE, HEI and ITP Role of the SAN
 - Role of 3rd sector
 - Post Eighteen Education Partnership
 - Strengthening the North
 - Working with government