

Apprenticeships

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Transforming
lives **National
Apprenticeship
Service**



National Apprenticeship Service

Session to cover

- Update on the SFA changes
- Local Enterprise Partnerships – LEPS
- Apprenticeships and Traineeships
- AGE Grant



Update on the Agency

Changes within the agency-

Now four divisions

Chief executive's office

Marketing, communications, public affairs

Funding and programmes

Policy and funding implementations, localism policy, ESIF, deliver and performance.

Operations

Accounting and procurement, compliance, HR, finance and capital, allocations and systems, Central Delivery service (CDS)

Apprenticeships and delivery

Employer and provider service, large company unit, national careers and learner service, PFA

How does the agency look locally?

Employer and provider services team focus on

Localism

working with LEPS to inform and support on demand

Intervention

to work with FE commission and colleges in intervention.
Private providers ensure the smooth transition to new providers for the learners

Apprenticeships

engage with employers, support the apprenticeship reform

Working with the Local Employer Partnerships (LEP)

What are the LEPs ?

In England, local enterprise partnerships (**LEPs**) are voluntary partnerships between local authorities and businesses set up in 2011 by the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills to help determine local economic priorities and lead economic growth and job creation within the local area.

Why do you need to work with the LEPs –

Influence funding which includes ESIF, Capital

Aware of growth areas and priorities

Apprenticeships and Traineeships

Higher Apprenticeships –

Government is looking at 20,000 additional higher apprenticeships

Engineering has been identified as an area of growth by many LEPs

Traineeships-

Playing an important role to get young people work ready.

Following the Richard review it was recommended that employers should have more control .

‘I think it is right the Government contributes to the cost of training and that it should continue to do so. However , I think the purchasing power for training must lie firmly in the hands of the employer.’

The Richard review. November 2012

- **Funding will go to the employer**
- **Funding be simplified – 5 funding bands**
- **Employer contribution £2-£1**

AGE 16 to 24 is a £1,500 grant (per apprentice) to support the recruitment of up to 10 apprentices by a business that:

**Changing criteria from 1 Jan 2015 employers of 50 staff and less
Maximum of five grants**

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Further information

Links to SFA – the agency story

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/sfa-the-agency-story>

Link to SE LEP website

<http://www.southeastlep.com/>

Richard Review

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/future-of-apprenticeships-in-england-richard-review-next-steps>

AGE link

<http://www.apprenticeships.org.uk/employers/steps-to-make-it-happen/incentive.aspx>



Thank you