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## **Comment on Audit Scotland Report**

Commenting on the Scotland's Colleges 2020 report by Audit Scotland, Shona Struthers, Chief Executive of Colleges Scotland, said:

"The pandemic has undoubtably impacted students and staff, not least with the shift to online delivery of some learning and teaching. However, colleges have been working incredibly hard over the past year to ensure that safety, high quality education, and student welfare have all been protected. It is reassuring that the Auditor General has noted that the sector has responded well to these unprecedented challenges.

"While the ongoing financial issues remain, the real-terms increase in revenue funding last year has helped put colleges in a better financial position than forecast. We will continue to work with the Scottish Government and Scottish Funding Council to secure sustainable funding for the sector, enabling colleges to support economic and social recovery."

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