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Comment on the Latest Labour Market Statistics

Commenting on the labour market statistics published today – showing a fall in unemployment in Scotland to 3.8 per cent – Shona Struthers, Chief Executive of Colleges Scotland, said:

“The contribution of the college sector is crucial in supporting Scotland’s labour market, and ensuring that students of all ages have the right skills and training to succeed in the workplace. Over a third of working age students study as part of their occupation, and over 80 per cent of college leavers make positive moves into work, next level education or training.

“Youth unemployment in Scotland is among the lowest in the European Union, and one of our priorities is ensuring that students are work-ready and able to meet the challenges of the employment market. That means an ongoing commitment to enhancing engagement with employers – which happens across the country with colleges supporting the economic needs of their regions.”

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