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Comment on Letter of Guidance

Shona Struthers, Chief Executive, Colleges Scotland said:

“Colleges support initiatives for young people such as Developing the Young Workforce. At the same time, Colleges Scotland has highlighted that concentrating on full-time courses has had an impact on the number of older learners in colleges, and in particular women, who are more likely to study on a part-time basis. We firmly believe that colleges should be open and available to all learners regardless of age or background and it is encouraging that the latest Outcome Agreement guidance is recognising the important role that colleges play in providing opportunities for older and part-time learners to gain work-ready skills, retrain, upskill and get back into the labour market. This not only increases confidence and life chances for people, it also boosts productivity and contributes to inclusive growth in Scotland.”

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