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Comment on SFC's College Statistics and College Performance Indicators Reports

The Scottish Funding Council has published two annual publications today (Tuesday, 29 January 2019) on the college sector – College Statistics 2017-18 and College Performance Indicators 2017-18. Commenting on the two reports, Shona Struthers, Chief Executive of Colleges Scotland, said:

“The latest figures from the Scottish Funding Council reveal that colleges are continuing to make good progress in key areas. Colleges have exceeded their activity targets every year for the last 13 years, which is a significant achievement, and the number of students choosing to study in colleges has increased by three per cent, up to 242,488.

“The number of students successfully completing their courses is at its highest in 10 years – a 7% increase in the success rate since 2008-09. This shows that colleges are delivering for learners, supporting them to achieve their qualifications and set them on the path to success.

“The college sector provides a variety of flexible routes into a career, working with schools, universities and employers to ensure that the learner takes the route that is both right for them and as efficient as possible. Colleges are contributing significantly to inclusive economic growth in Scotland and delivering courses that support people to gain industry relevant skills that lead to employment.”

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Notes:

A copy of the reports can be found on the Scottish Funding Council website at <http://www.sfc.ac.uk/publications-statistics/sector-communications.aspx>