

Engineering and Advanced Manufacturing – Pilot Project

Skills Audit of the Engineering and Advanced Manufacturing Sector in the Leeds City Region

Delivered by: Calderdale College, Textile Centre of Excellence and Brook Corporate Developments

The purpose of this pilot project is to engage with employers across the region to better understand the barriers, challenges and needs of the sector's SME and large companies.

We want to know what training and skills your workforce needs and so we are conducting fully funded skills diagnostics across the Leeds City Region. A team of specialist consultants will undertake dialogue with employers throughout the region to complete Skills Diagnostics and Enhanced Skills Plans. The Skills Diagnostics will not only feed into sector research but will also offer support to your business in upskilling your workforce.

The project aims to:

- Establish a meaningful dialogue with the whole industry that results in collaborative ways of working.
- Identify the current and future needs of a representative sample of the whole industry.
- Gather robust qualitative data and intelligence on companies' views on the quality and relevance of current provision to inform further testing and quantitative questioning within the sector.
- Identify gaps in the market.
- Identify additional/emerging needs, possibly digital skills.

This project is phase one of a wider strategic workstream that will develop a "sector pathways map" to show the various routeways into the sector at sub-sector level. The results will be used to highlight gaps in provision that require immediate, medium, and long-term skills solutions.

We are inviting interest from all small/medium engineering and advanced manufacturing companies in the Leeds City Region to be involved in this pilot project.

**If you would like to be involved, contact us by
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