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# **Briefing Note**

#### **CECA Scotland Member Briefing:**

## **COVID-19 - CECA SCOTLAND UPDATE**

#### Introduction

CECA Scotland will be producing regular updates to keep member companies updated on new developments relating to the Covid-19 coronavirus and its impact on the Scottish civils sector. This briefing will be delivered daily and posted on our website. If you would like further information or to share your experiences about how COVID-19 is impacting on your business, contact our Chief Executive, Grahame Barn: 07976 199615 or grahame@cecascotland.co.uk.

#### **Returning to Work**

Following yesterday's move to Phase 2 of the construction sector <u>Restart Plan</u>, here is a reminder of how to access the key guidance.

- Construction guidance
- Coronavirus (COVID-19): staying at home and away from others (physical distancing)
- COVID-19: Scotland's route map for transitioning through and out of the crisis
- Fair Work Joint statement
- Transport Transition Plan

## Coronavirus (COVID-19): recovery and transition from COVID-19: SPPN 8/2020

The Scottish Government have today published a new SPPN (8/2020) - supplier relief, which sets out guidance for public bodies on options to ensure service continuity during the current coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak, and comes into effect on 1 July 2020. Read more here.

## Latest HSE Updates

- Making your workplace COVID-19 secure. Click here
- Safety alert on use of KN95 face masks. Click here
- Leading health and safety leaflet. Click here

## **CITB Training Update**

The CITB are continuing to work with the Scottish Government to ensure the full breadth of construction training, particularly apprenticeships, can be restarted as soon as it is safe to do so.

#### **CECA Scotland Briefing: COVID-19 Update**

This will likely happened during <u>phase 3 of the recovery plan</u>, which will allow the phased return of colleges and universities, with a combination of remote learning and limited on-campus learning.

The latest update on Test Centres and delivery in Scotland can be found <a href="here">here</a>.

#### CECA Scotland Ken Yer Bairns Webinar, Session 3

We are now taking bookings for Session 3 of the three part "Ken Yer Bairns" webinar series, delivered by Bob Cummins of Sodak. In Session 3, Bob will explore how to harness the power of divergent thinking and embracing people who think differently from yourself. The webinar will run at 11am on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June. To find out more and book your place, click <u>here</u>.

#### UK Government supports nearly 800,000 jobs across Scotland

New statistics published on 11 June, show that nearly 800,000 jobs (up to the end of May) across Scotland have been saved by the UK Government's package of coronavirus support. Read more <a href="here">here</a>

#### **Public Attitudes to Coronavirus**

The Scottish Government has today released some interesting research on public attitudes to Coronavirus, which you can read in full <a href="https://example.com/here/">here</a>.

## **Shielding Support**

The Scottish Government have today updated their *Coronavirus (COVID-19): shielding support and contacts* guidance. Read it here.

## **Apprenticeships**

#### **Modern Apprenticeships**

Skills Development Scotland published its annual report this week on the Modern Apprenticeship programme, showing that for 2019/20, there were 6,417 MA starts in the Construction & Related framework, up from 6,111 in 2018/19. A very positive finding is that the number of women starting within the Construction and Related framework was the highest recorded over the last six years. Female starts to the Engineering framework was also the highest recorded over the last six years (+36 starts or +44% from last year). The full paper can be found <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>

#### Foundation Apprenticeships

Skills Development Scotland have today (12<sup>th</sup> June) published their annual progress report on Foundation Apprenticeships. The full paper can be found <u>here</u>

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