

Building Futures

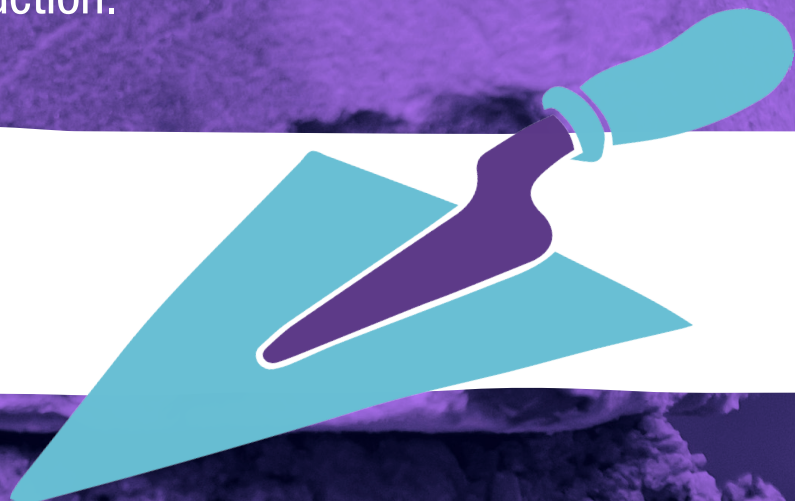
A Pre-Apprenticeship in Construction

Are you aged between 16 and 18 years old or 19-24 years old, with an Education Health Care Plan (EHCP), and not in education, employment or training?

If so, you can apply for our Building Futures Pre-Apprenticeship in Construction.

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What is a Pre-Apprenticeship?

If you are not quite ready for an apprenticeship or college course, or if you feel undecided about which route to take for a career in construction, then a pre-apprenticeship could be for you.

Pre-apprenticeships:

- Offer young people aged 16-18 years a pathway into an apprenticeship, employment or further education.
- Helps to bridge your skills gap and academic qualifications to enable your preferred career pathways.
- Unlocks your potential and enhances your employable future.

What is our Building Futures programme?

The Building Futures programme is a pre-apprenticeship in construction.

Duration: One year

Start dates: September and November

Qualification: City and Guilds 6219 Diploma in Construction Skills

Exam/Assessment: There is no exam as it's an ongoing assessment

Entry requirements: No formal entry requirements. However, you will be interviewed and given a short online functional skills assessment to determine the level you are working at.



This practical City and Guilds course is an ideal basis for developing construction skills. It provides an engaging and relevant introduction to the world of construction, preparing you for a range of trades within the industry that includes:

- Bricklaying
- Plastering
- Plumbing
- Joinery and carpentry
- Painting and decorating
- Health and safety in construction

You will be required to wear clothing that is suitable for a workshop environment and full personal protective equipment (PPE) including steel toe cap boots in the workshop. Preston Vocational Centre can provide steel toe cap boots and overalls; however we recommend you bring your own.

Qualification

City and Guilds 6219 Diploma in Construction Skills

Course content:

Introduction to Health and Safety in Construction

Developing Bricklaying Skills

Developing Carpentry Skills

Developing Joinery Skills

Developing Painting Skills

Developing Decorating Skills

Developing Plumbing Skills

Developing Plastering Skills

Additional: CSCS Theory

Moving on...

As part of our Building Futures Pre-Apprenticeship programme, we will support you with applying for an apprenticeship, further education, training or employment. Although we cannot guarantee a permanent position at the end of the programme, we can provide you with transferable skills, a qualification and valuable experience that will benefit your future career. Achievement of a level 1 qualification will give you the opportunity to apply directly on to level 2 vocational courses with your preferred provider.

Apply now for your pre-apprenticeship at Preston Vocational Centre.

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Aims and Objectives

Our broad aims are to build upon the success of the Centre, particularly focusing in the following areas:



Mission Statement

To deliver the highest quality construction based vocational training and support to enable young people and adults to gain skills, qualifications and confidence to enhance their potential and build a positive future.



About Preston Vocational Centre

At Preston Vocational Centre, we have been committed in providing construction vocational training in painting and decorating, joinery and carpentry, building maintenance, brick work and plastering, with high quality support to young people and adults in Lancashire for over 10 years.

- We offer accredited and non-accredited learning and development opportunities that supports people to take positive steps towards achieving their full potential.
- We are an inclusive learning environment and focused on the needs of our participants to enable opportunities in the world of work.
- We keep our strapline of 'Building Skills – Building Futures' as the core ethos of the centre, the basis of all our decisions and at the forefront of everything we do.

Our Achievements

PVC has supported over 6,000 participants to improve their employable futures

PVC has worked with 245 learners over the past 12 months from 27 schools in Lancashire (mostly in Preston)

In 2019/20 PVC saw 90% of learners achieve a positive destination (retained in education, training, further education or employment)

Our Partners



Testimonials

Gabriel Watson - Joinery Apprentice

“I went to PVC to do a number of different trades. I realised I really enjoyed joinery and felt like that’s what I wanted to carry on doing. When I completed my construction course, I started looking for an apprenticeship in joinery and applied for college. I contacted loads of companies that just took my details but then I got a call from PVC telling me that CCH Joinery were looking for someone; I applied and was successful. When I first decided I wanted to get an apprenticeship, lots of people said my first year would be just watching and cleaning up, but that’s not been the case at CCH, I have been involved from the beginning and I am learning every day and enjoying my time here working on the current project at the Purple Pantry.”



Luke Garity - Joinery Apprentice

“I started out my journey at PVC where I learned several trades in the construction industry and gained vital knowledge. Guided by my tutors, I applied for a joinery apprenticeship at CCH Joinery and landed an interview. After a very long 24 hours I was contacted by CCH and was offered the position of Apprentice Joiner. I was made up and this couldn’t have happened without the fantastic help and belief that PVC had in me. I cannot thank PVC enough and I strongly recommend them to anybody.”

Lawrence - Delivery Driver and SEND Support Assistant

“I attended a construction course at Preston Vocational Centre. I knew that I wanted to do something worthwhile with my future but my confidence was low and I didn’t know where to start. The construction course helped me to learn lots of new skills in construction and it also helped me to learn other skills for becoming employable. These included improving my confidence with CV writing, applying for jobs and how to be in an interview.



With PVC’s support I got a job at Gift 92 that restores and sells used furniture and I am still there 9 years on. As a thank you for all the support I got at PVC and because I really enjoy attending the centre, I now volunteer to support SEND learners with their construction courses. I love making a difference to other young people, just like PVC did for me all those years ago.”

Contact Details

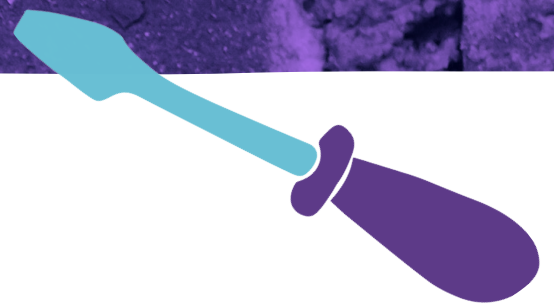
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