



## Construction Industry Scaffolders Record Scheme Press Release

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### AIS Training Gain CISRS Advanced Accreditation

CISRS would like to congratulate AIS Training upon successful completion of their recent accreditation audit for CISRS Advanced Training, making it a fully accredited Construction Industry Scaffolders Record Scheme Provider.

This means operatives from Tyneside, Wearside, Durham and Northumberland, will have local provision for the full range of CISRS courses from Scaffolding Labourer, Apprenticeships to Advanced Scaffolder in addition to inspection, Supervisory and CPD/refresher training.

Paul Attrill, head of training and education at AIS Training, said: *"We are delighted to receive this approval from CISRS. Recent reports show the construction sector is suffering huge skills shortages with scaffolding cited as a key area. Our scaffolding centre is tackling these shortages by providing high quality, industry approved training from basic through to the highest levels. We've delivered hundreds of commercial courses for businesses across the region and have also successfully trained 39 scaffolding apprentices with another 78 on our books. Scaffolding really is a phenomenal success story for AIS Training."*

AIS has long been established for delivering a wide range of Industrial and Offshore related training across the UK with training additional provision in Humberside and Aberdeen. The courses on offer are endorsed by the world's leading trade associations including IRATA, OPITO, SPRAT, MCA, IOSH, ECITB, Complex, GWO and RenewableUK.

In more recent times, AIS has concentrated on developing its scaffolding training provision via CISRS accreditation. Through investment of over £1million in the past 18 months, it has created a first-rate facility at their centre based in North Shields.

CISRS Accreditation Auditor, Trevor Donoghue said: *"AIS Training has developed a fantastic facility for scaffolding skills here in the North East. The centre is now accredited to deliver the full suite of CISRS scaffolding courses from basic through to advanced qualifications and inspections. This is a fantastic asset for local companies, where they can get all the training they need to keep their teams safe and competent."*

AIS continue to actively seek out additional funding in order to help subsidise the cost of CISRS training and have recently offered several fully funded CPD refresher courses for locally based scaffolding companies and their operatives.