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<u>CITB Instructor Commission to Boost Scaffolding Instructor Numbers</u>

CISRS has been awarded a CITB commission to help fund the development and training of 16 new scaffolding instructors within England and Wales – in a bid to boost capacity and increase numbers coming into the scaffolding sector.

It is hoped to make the job of a scaffolding instructor an attractive potential change of career for 16 qualified Scaffolders, to enable them to pass on their knowledge and experience to the next generation. Particularly in the following regions in the UK, which have been identified as being most in need of support:

- Wales
- Southwest
- Northwest
- Midlands
- Northeast (Humber/North Yorkshire)
- South Central (Hampshire, IOW, Berkshire, West Sussex, Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire, Surrey)

The 16 new scaffolding instructors will undoubtedly help new NASC President's David Brown's mission to boost numbers and upskill operatives within the scaffolding sector.

CISRS Scheme Manager and NASC Managing Director, David Mosley said: "CISRS will be making all efforts to ensure that these regions get the additional instructor numbers that they need. We have already met with several centres who are fully on board, looking to recruit, train and retain, the potential new instructors. Qualifying a new scaffolding instructor can take a considerable time. We are very grateful to CITB for offering this support. CISRS will work closely with the providers to ensure that all relevant training, experience and assessment is given to new recruits to get them up to at least Part 1 approval status."



"Scaffolding instruction is a great career option for those who love their work in the industry but are considering a change of direction. You can continue to be involved within the sector by sharing skills and experience and maintaining high standards of training and skills to the upcoming workforce."

Interested scaffolding instructor applicants should, in the first instance contact CISRS by emailing <u>instructors@cisrs.org.uk</u> with details of where they are based and the regions, they would be interested in working in.

Please note that all applicants need to have held a CISRS Advanced or Scaffolder card for 10+ years.