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## **NASC CELEBRATES SUCCESS AT NATIONAL SCHOOL AND COLLEGE LEAVERS SHOW IN GLASGOW**

The NASC continued its mission to pro-actively encourage young adults into the scaffolding and access sector via the CISRS training scheme – with a successful stand at the two-day National School and College Leavers Show (NCSL) in Glasgow, March 27-28th.

The NASC stand – manned by NASC staff, H&S Manager, Steve Kearney and Training Officer, Henry Annafi with further members' support from Mark Skinner of City Access Scaffolding, Paul Mulholland, Regan O'Connor, and Kieran Campbell of Lyndon SGB (Tuesday) and Kevin Fitzpatrick of Enigma-I, Dan Wilson from Mar Scaffolding, Rob Aitken & Ronnie Charters from RDA Scaffolding and Chris Austin from Check-It Group (Wednesday) – also featured a stair tower scaffold structure, from NASC members, Stepup Scaffold UK. Mr Simon Russell of Stepup Scaffold UK also supported and provided a demonstration of the scaffold structure across both days.



More than 200 young people and teachers visited the NASC stand on the Tuesday, with over 30 requesting follow-up conversations with employers. Attendance peaked on the Wednesday however, with over 250 visitors to the NASC stand and upwards of 60 requested further info from members about career and training opportunities in the scaffolding sector. Attendees were particularly excited to try the working at height VR headset experience, simulating a scaffolding inspection – which has proved a popular demonstration of the life of a scaffolder at all NASC events, including inside prisons, for the NASC's 'Returning Citizens' career drive.

Some 260 NASC and member company business cards were taken by young people and teachers, and at least four schools, one college and three charities working with young people have requested assemblies, visits, and discussions with NASC members – presenting great leads for our Scottish members to capitalise on.

All attending Scottish NASC company members found the event a valuable opportunity and are keen to build on it. They have all stated that they are eager to get involved in the Returning Citizens scheme as well, providing an unforeseen benefit.

"This event was a tremendous success for us," said Henry Annafi for NASC. "We were thrilled to meet so many enthusiastic young people and teachers interested in careers in our industry. We are grateful to our members for their support and are delighted that so many attendees left our stand eager to find out more about apprenticeships and CISRS training."

The NASC is committed to continuing their work to encourage young people into the scaffolding and access industry across Scotland and is excited to build on the success of their recent exhibition at the National School and College Leavers Show.



Paul Mulholland, Regan O'Connor, and Kieran Campbell of Lyndon SGB, Ronnie Charters & Robbie Atkins from RDA Scaffolding and Dan Wilson of Mar Scaffolding.

Structure provided by Stepup Scaffold.

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Notes to Editors:

The NASC is the national trade body for access and scaffolding in the UK – established 1945 and now serving a family of 300+ leading contracting firms, scaffolding suppliers and manufacturers.

The Confederation produces a wide range of industry-recognised safety and technical guidance for scaffolding contractors, their operatives and their clients – accepted as the industry standard by HSE, Build UK, CITB & principal contractors alike.

NASC members are audited before and during their membership – to a set of demanding criteria – ensuring the highest possible standards are met, confirming to our NASC Criteria, Code of Conduct and the Code of Practice for scaffolding products. It's these high standards of our members' access solutions that are recognised by construction industry leaders, who continue to stipulate that it must be NASC companies for access and scaffolding.

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