

## SERVICE UPDATE

<b><u>Name of Function:</u></b>	Children and Family Services
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<b><u>Title of Update:</u></b>	Further roll out of courses provided by partner providers
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### **UPDATE:**

Members will recall that within the Northfield update action plan presented to committee in July there was reference to the offer of courses offered through partner providers. Members requested an update as to whether there was an intention to roll this out further. Please find a summary update below:-

#### **L4 Automotive FA Course**

This course has been offered in partnership with Aberdeenshire Council to support a broader range offered at Northfield Academy. The running of this courses carries a cost to Northfield Academy of approximately 0.2FTE and this may prove to be a barrier to rolling out more widely.

However, as part of the work to progress Phase 2 of ABZ Campus, there is ongoing discussion with our colleagues in Aberdeenshire Council as to whether greater partnership working could yield opportunities for such courses to be offered as part of ABZ Campus. Although there would still be an associated cost, this may be less of a burden to individual schools.

#### **L5 Construction FA Course**

Partners North-East Scotland College (NESCOL) offer a Construction Foundation Apprenticeship but with limited capacity in terms of numbers. To overcome this capacity barrier, again at a cost of 0.2FTE, Northfield Academy have contracted the Aberdeenshire Council FA programme to deliver this course in situ.

The FA Construction is a popular ABZ Campus course and discussions are in progress with partners NESCOL as to whether they can increase capacity for Phase 2 in 2024-25.

#### **NPA Makeup Artistry (Glamcandy)**

This is a course that is already running in selected other Aberdeen City schools such as St. Machar Academy and Lochside Academy. The running of this course comes at a cost to each school and therefore any decision to roll out further into schools that do not currently offer it would be determined based on the capacity to fund such an opportunity.