DEVELOP OUR WORKFORCE **HOW ARE WE DOING?**

SBC Modern Apprentices 2016/17





Case Study

Work Opportunities

19 year old Murdo Allison is currently undertaking a Modern Apprenticeship (MA) in Craft Bakery Skills at Earlston High School. He began his MA in August 2015 as he saw it as an opportunity to create a career in catering through gaining a work based qualification. His day to day role sees him preparing and baking a variety of cakes, pastries and tray bakes. He is also heavily involved in other kitchen duties in the School such as preparing other meals and the service of the meals. Murdo said "The MA has really helped me with my communication skills through the customer service aspect." During the School summer holiday Murdo has been given the opportunity to work in the kitchen at SBC HQ where he is learning different skills - cooking different types of meals; dealing with a different set of customers. He also took part in SBC's Cook of the Year event where four Border school cooks compete to make a main meal and a dessert with a maximum cost of £1.90. Murdo said "I really enjoyed the experience and it was nice to be put forward for the competition."

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Our performance during Q1 2016/17



SBC ABSENCE RATE

4.1%

of **working days were lost**, on average, **due to absence** as of June 2016

(No change from Q1 15/16)

E-LEARNING COMPLETIONS

4.034

e-learning completions were achieved using our in-house e-learning tool, SBLearn, in Q1 2016/17

Uup from 1,702 in Q1 15/16)

WORK OPPORTUNITIES

59

work opportunities are being supported by SBC through our "Work Opportunities Policy" as of Q1 2016/17

(down from 63 in Q1 15/16)

APPRENTICESHIPS

42

apprentices are **employed** with **SBC** as of Q1 2016/17

(up from 25 in Q1 15/16)

APPRENTICESHIPS

69% male **31%** female across various departments such as Human Resources, Engineering, Finance

SBC STAFF BENEFIT SCHEME

34.1%

of **employees** have registered their discount card on the **Employee Benefit Scheme website** since October 2015

51

applications have been **approved** for the **Car Salary Sacrifice Scheme** since October 2015

686

applications have been **approved** for the **Technology Salary Sacrifice Scheme** since October 2015



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*Performance indicators with a quarter lag in data.

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Priority 6: Developing our Workforce – Executive Quarterly PIs

Short Name	Trend Chart	Value	Commentary	Compared to same time last year	Status against Target	Managed By
Percentage of Working Days Lost - Council Average	CP06-P14 Percentage of Working Days Lost - Council Average 4.50% 4.50% 4.00% 2.50% 3.00% 2.50% 1.50% 1.00%	4.10%	How are we performing: Through effective implementation of our absence management policy the % of working days lost due to absence has been consistently stable across the year finishing marginally above the target of 4% at 4.1% for the last 3 quarters Actions we are taking to improve/maintain performance: Each Service, including SB Cares, continues to receive a monthly detailed report on absence rates in order that managers and HR advisors can work together to tackle areas where rates are higher than the target	U		Ian Angus
Number of e-learning completions – All Departments	CP06-P07 Number of e-learning completions - All Depts 8,000 7,000 6,000 4,000 3,000 2,000 1,000 0 Quarters — Family Group (previous yr) - Av. — SBC (previous yr) - Av. — Scotland (previous yr) - Av.	4,034	How are we performing: During Q1 2016/17, there were 4034 e- learning completions, of which 1600 (40%) were mandatory modules including the new "Prevent" module (developed as part of the UK government' strategy to deal with terrorism) Actions we are taking to improve/maintain performance: When all PC users log in each morning, a reminder pops up about mandatory training, in order than we work towards 100% of PC users completing mandatory modules. Work is ongoing to ensure that those employees who don't have regular access to a PC can access the valuable training resources including mandatory training			Clair Hepburn

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Short Name	Trend Chart	Value	Commentary	Compared to same time last year	Status against Target	Managed By
CP06-P46 Percentage of staff with a registered Vectis card on the Scottish Borders Staff Benefits website	CP06-P46 Percentage of staff with a registered Vectis card on the Scottish Borders Staff Benefits website 35% 30% 25% 20% 15% 0% Quarters — Family Group (previous yr) - Av. — SBC (previous yr) - Av. — Scotland (previous yr) - Av.	34.1%	Observations: Following the launch of the new employee benefit scheme there has been a positive response, with 34% of employees with a discount card registering the card on the Scottish Borders Employee Benefit Scheme website. In addition to this the salary sacrifice scheme part of the employee benefits scheme has seen the following: Car Salary Sacrifice Scheme – 51 applications approved (42 in Q4 15/16, 26 Q3 15/16 Technology Salary Sacrifice Scheme – 686 applications approved (311 in Q3 15/16) and 375 this quarter		<u></u>	Ian Angus
CP06-P45 Work Opportunities Scheme - Current Total Work Opportunities (incl. ESS supported employees)	CP06-P45 CP06-P45 Work Opportunities Scheme - Current Total Work Opportunities (incl. E55 supported employees) 60 40 30 20 10 Quarters — Family Group (previous yr) - Av. — SBC (previous yr) - Av. — Scotland (previous yr) - Av.	59	Observations: There are currently 59 opportunities being provided within SBC through the Work Opportunities Policy. A breakdown is provided below. (Note that the total of 59 includes the 6 employees who are employed through the Employment Support Scheme, which has remained at 6 for the last year, and is therefore not included in the graphs below)	₽	<u></u>	Cathie Fancy

SBC and NHS have partnered together to offer 4 opportunities for Looked After Children. These opportunities will provide 4 looked after young people with employability training whilst gaining a qualification and a supported work experience placement which will hopefully lead to a Modern Apprenticeship within the host organisations following a successful placement.

SBC have also partnered up with NHS Borders and Borders College to bring a Project SEARCH site to the borders. In its first year Project Search will provide 8 young people who have a learning disability or autism a 1 years internship within the Borders General Hospital. The internship will provide the young people with employability skills through qualifications and 3 work experience rotations. The Young people will be supported by a tutor from Borders College and a Job Coach from SBC Employment Support Service. The goal of this project is for each intern to secure sustainable paid employment at the end of their Internship.

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CP06-P31 Work Opportunities Scheme - Current Employability Fund Posts	15	1	Observations: SBC have a contract for 23 Employability Fund Stage 3 places which are utilised borders wide through work experience placements in various locations engaging with public sector organisations and large and small businesses within the Scottish Borders.		<u></u>	Cathie Fancy
CP06-P32 Work Opportunities Scheme - Current Student Placements		9	Observations: We are currently recruiting students for the summer, we had a large response from an advert from students looking for work over the summer period and managers are encouraged to contact HRSS if they are looking for a student over the summer period.	\bar{V}	<u></u>	Cathie Fancy
CP06-P37 Work Opportunities Scheme - Current Modern Apprentices employed within SBC		42	Observations: There are currently 29 male and 13 female apprentices in SBC.			Cathie Fancy
CP06-P44 Work Opportunities Scheme - Current Other SBC opportunities	CP06-P44 CP06-P44 Work Opportunities Scheme - Current Other SBC opportunities 10 9 8 7 7 6 5 1 9 9 8 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	1	Observations: There has been little demand for short work experience and job taster placements through the Work Opportunities Scheme however departments have been accommodating when approached	₽	<u></u>	Cathie Fancy