



NSN become official partner of the Northern Powerhouse



The Board of the Northern Skills Network (NSN) are delighted to announce that NSN has become a member of the government's Northern Powerhouse Partnership Programme.

The appointment is recognition of the contribution that the NSN and its nine regional network members make towards increasing the skills, employability and productivity of people & businesses across the North of England. In all, the NSN represents over 300 education and training providers and as such, is the largest representative body of its type in the North of England.

Mike Smith OBE Chair of the Northern Skills Network said:

"The Government's Industrial Strategy and the scale of benefits that could be achieved from delivering a successful Northern Powerhouse are crucial to the success of the North. As the name implies, the Northern Skills Network is both aligned to and supports the Northern Powerhouse agenda and is passionate, through its members, to play its part in increasing the productivity and prosperity of the North through increasing the skill levels of young people entering work for the first time, those re-entering work after a period of unemployment and existing employees within the workforce. We, therefore, look forward to working with the Northern Powerhouse to help realise its ambition for a more prosperous and productive region."

Minister for the Northern Powerhouse, the Rt Hon Jake Berry MP, said:

"I am thrilled to welcome the Northern Skills Network as our newest member of the Northern Powerhouse Programme of over 300 partner organisations, all working together to help the North reach its full economic potential. With their provision of exceptional training opportunities catering for all ages and abilities, this expansive Network is well placed to support our work – backed by over £3.4bn of Local Growth Funding – to increase employment opportunities, boost productivity and level up all regions across the Northern Powerhouse."

