

Consultations/Inquiries

Sports Coach UK - Consultation on draft UK Action Plan for Coaching

First draft of the action plan was formally endorsed at the UK Coaching Summit, in April 2006. Second draft has been developed on the basis of the mandate of the Coaching Summit and sets out the vision for the UK Coaching.

Response submitted by SkillsActive

Further information:

<http://www.sportscoachuk.org/About+Us/UKAPC/UKAPC+Consultation+Draft+June+2006.htm>

Coaching Northern Ireland - Draft Northern Ireland Action Plan for Coaching

The Draft Northern Ireland Action Plan for Coaching 2006-2016 intends to build on the opportunity of 2012 and create a legacy for Northern Ireland Sport and the wider Community.

Deadline 15 August

Further information:

<http://www.coachingni.net/news/?newsid=107>

Home Office – Security Guards/Stewards at Sporting events

This Consultation considered the options available for applying the Private Security Industry Act to security staff at sports and other events, set out the Government's views on the options, and sought comments on issues related to implementation.

SkillsActive submitted a response. The Home Office have said that although there is no specific date for the main Government response to consultation, it will be published “after Summer and before the end of the year”.

Further information:

<http://www.homeoffice.gov.uk/documents/cons-2006-ria-security-sport>

Culture, Media and Sport Select Committee Inquiry – Women’s Football

Final report published

<http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm200506/cmselect/cmcumeds/1357/135702.htm>

SkillsActive submitted a brief response having liaised with the Women’s Sport Federation and CCPR and attended the oral evidence session in the House of Commons

Treasury – Comprehensive Spending Review (CSR) – Role of Third Sector in social and economic regeneration

6 key themes:

1. Cohesive communities and building voice for citizens.
2. Partnership working to deliver a shared agenda.
3. Promoting innovation and enterprise.
4. Creating a culture of volunteering and mentoring.
5. Future role of the sector in shaping and delivering public services.
6. Creating a sustainable resource base.

Deadline 30 September

Further information:

http://www.hm-treasury.gov.uk/documents/public_spending_and_services/third_sector/pss_thirdsector_consultations.cfm

Department for Education and Skills - New improvement strategy to drive up standards and performance in Further Education

Key measures outlined in the strategy include:

1. A network of advisers to provide tailored support to colleges and training providers.

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2. New materials and tools to help colleges and training providers assess their own performance.
3. The Excellence Gateway portal to share best practice.
4. New professional development programmes for leaders, managers and staff working in FE.
5. A National Learner Panel to ensure that learners' views are heard.

Deadline 20 October

Further information:

http://www.dfes.gov.uk/pns/DisplayPN.cgi?pn_id=2006_0096

Department for Education and Learning - Consultation on 'Training for success: professional and technical training'

The 3 main strands are:

1. A suite of training options to replace Jobskills (DEL's primary vocational training programme for young people aged 16-24 including Modern Apprenticeships), aimed at young people aged 14-14, to equip them better to enter the labour market;
2. Proposals for provision aimed at upskilling existing members of the workforce; and
3. Consideration of whether to extend the Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) to young people (16+) in training on the same basis as those who remain in schools or Further Education colleges.

Deadline 22 September

Further information:

<http://www.delni.gov.uk/index/consultation-zone/trainingforsuccess.htm>

Culture, Media and Sport Select Committee - Ongoing inquiry into the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games

Next evidence session will be on:

1. The costs of staging the Games and the methods by which the Games are being funded.
2. Ways of maximising the value of the Olympic legacy both within London and across the UK.
3. How the nations and regions of the UK might derive lasting benefit from the staging of the Games, in particular through encouraging participation in sport and increasing tourism.

Deadline 5 October

Further information:

http://www.parliament.uk/parliamentary_committees/culture_media_and_sport/cms060727.cfm

Scottish Executive - Demerger of Careers Scotland

The Deputy First Minister announced on 30 March 2006 that Careers Scotland should move out of Scottish Enterprise. The consultation seeks views on the future position of Careers Scotland.

Further information:

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2006/06/13164307/0>

Deadline 10 September

If you would like to comment on any of the consultations highlighted please email SkillsActive's Public Affairs Officer Will Pickering at william.pickering@skillsactive.com or call 020 7632 2031.