



SUPPLY CHAIN SKILLS DEVELOPMENT FUND

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AIMS OF THE FUND:

The Supply Chain Skills Development Fund, funded by ESF, provides grants to co-fund the development of the workforce in key local supply chains across Norfolk and Suffolk, enabling training that otherwise might not take place:

- **BENEFIT BUSINESSES**
- **HELP CREATE A STRONGER WORKFORCE**
- **INCREASE PROFITABILITY**
- **INCREASE PRODUCTIVITY**
- **MORE EFFICIENCY**
- **BETTER PROFITS**
- **BETTER BUSINESS BASE**
- **QUALIFIED EMPLOYEES**
- **STRENGTHEN A COMPANY'S ABILITY TO BE MORE COMPETITIVE BIDDING FOR LOCAL INFRASTRUCTURE OPPORTUNITIES**

UPSKILL YOUR WORKFORCE AND ENGAGE WITH NEW CLIENTS WITH A TRAINING GRANT FROM THE SUPPLY CHAIN SKILLS DEVELOPMENT FUND. NORFOLK AND SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCILS ARE WORKING TOGETHER TO PROVIDE THE SUPPLY CHAIN SKILLS DEVELOPMENT FUND, A GRANT SCHEME PART FUNDED BY THE EUROPEAN SOCIAL FUND (ESF).

THE SUPPLY CHAIN SKILLS DEVELOPMENT FUND HAS SEVERAL OBJECTIVES:

- To increase the skills levels of employed people from the existing level to the next level up and to encourage progression in employment.
- To increase the number of people with technical and job specific skills, particularly at level 3 and above to support business growth.
- To increase the skills levels of employed women and workers over 50 to encourage progression in employment and help address the gender and employment and wage gap.

ELIGIBILITY- WHO SHOULD APPLY?

Companies located in Norfolk or Suffolk operating in the following sectors: Energy, Construction, IT & Digital, Science, Engineering, Manufacturing, Ports Logistics, Food Production and Processing and looking to address the skills gap of their **18+** workforce and prepared to **50% match fund** staff training. Course types covered are accredited training, non-accredited training, face to face training and online/digital training. Any interested company should email supplychainskills@suffolk.gov.uk to tell us about their business and employee training needs.

