

Building a fundable offer for
learners progressing
from EDSQ

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Introducing Gateway Qualifications

- Over 30 years of expertise
- Wide range of regulated qualifications
- Access to Higher Education Diplomas
- Focus on creating the highest quality of qualifications accessible to all
- Committed to excellent customer service



Purpose of session

- To consider the impact of changes to funding of qualifications in the IT users SSA at Level 1
- To consider ways to support learners who have taken EDSQ to broaden their skills and progress to further study or employment
- To provide information on support available to centres and how we can help you

Future funding policy in digital at entry and level 1

“The Department for Education is reforming essential digital skills to ensure learners have access to high quality provision that will equip them with the digital skills they need for life and work. As part of our reforms, Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) funding approval is being removed from existing information and communication technology (ICT) and digital skills qualifications.”

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/ict-and-digital-qualifications-with-removed-funding-approval>

Legal Entitlement – Essential Digital Skills

- National entitlement to fully fund eligible adults with no or low digital skills to enrol on specified digital qualifications at Entry and Level 1
- Only Essential Digital Skills qualifications can be used for the adult legal entitlement
- Essential Digital Skills qualifications available at Entry 3 and Level 1 funded for both adults and 16-19 learners



Where next?

Progressing from EDSQ using funded qualifications at levels 1 and 2

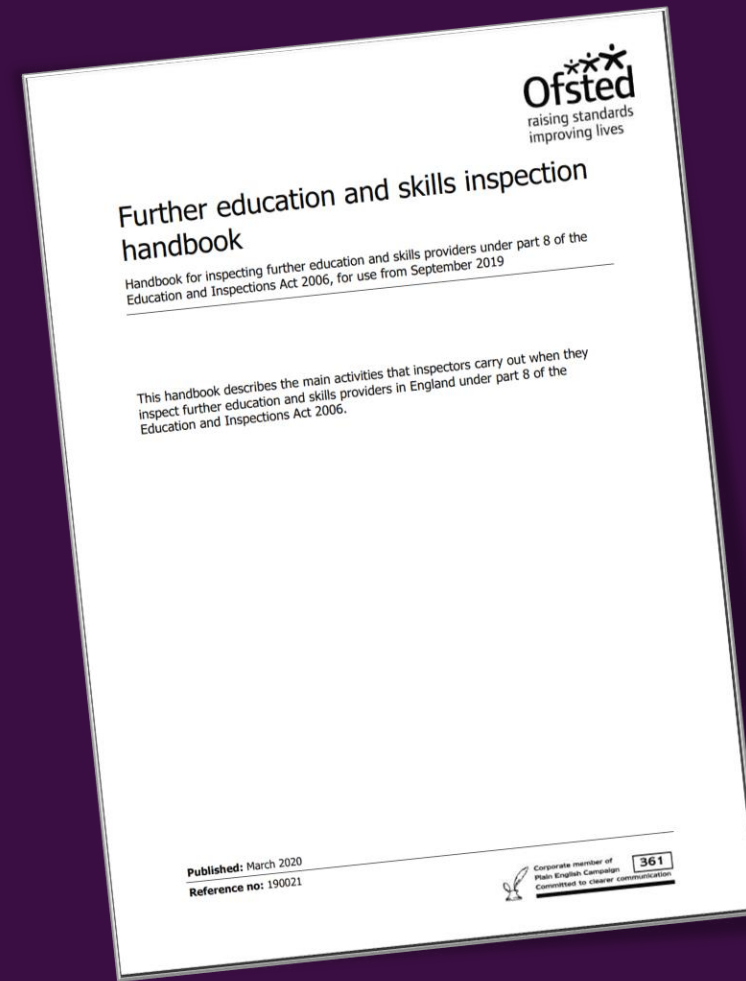
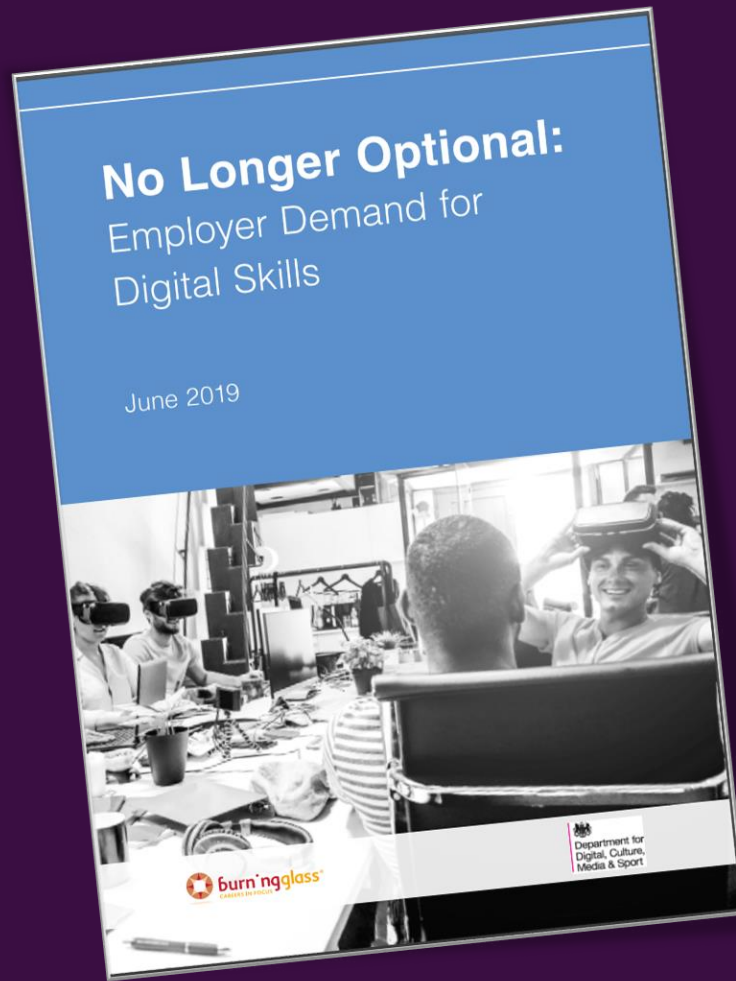
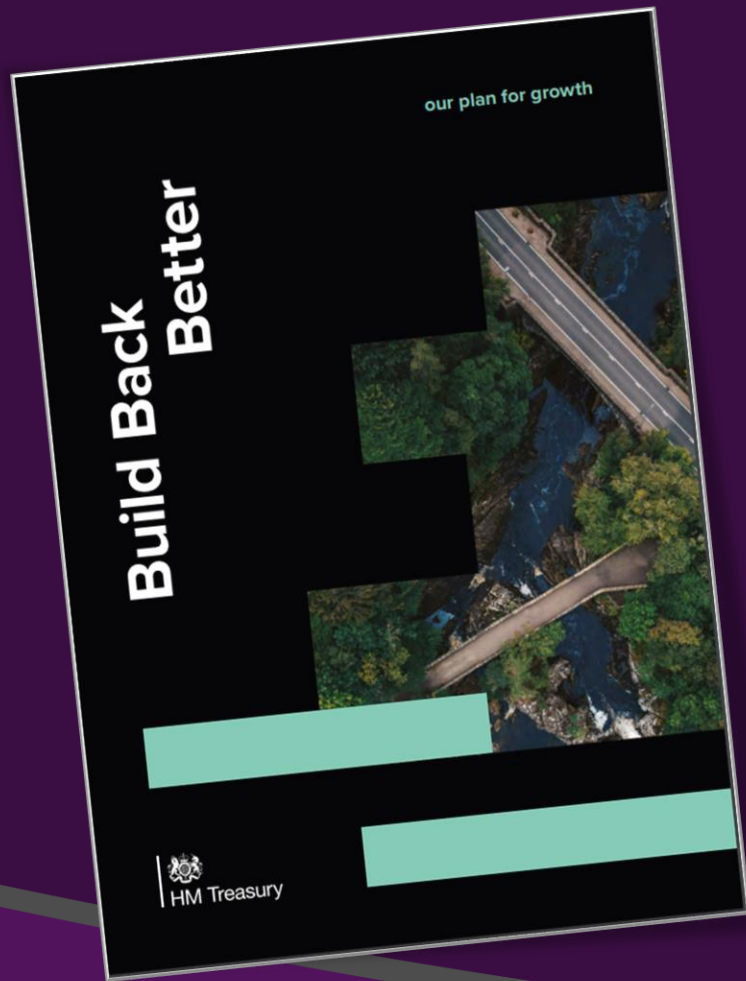
What's needed for employment in your region?

What's needed for further study?

- Consolidating baseline digital skills
- Specialist digital skills



The demand for digital skills

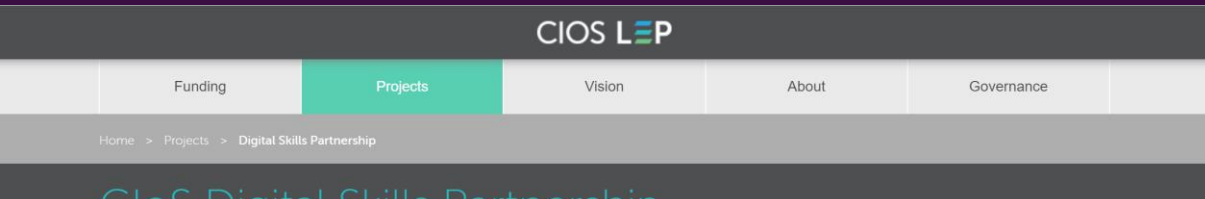


Specific digital skills

- Software and programming
- Computer and networking support
- Data analysis
- Digital design
- Customer relationship management
- Digital marketing
- Machining and Manufacturing Technology



Digital Skills Partnerships



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CIO S Digital Skills Partnership

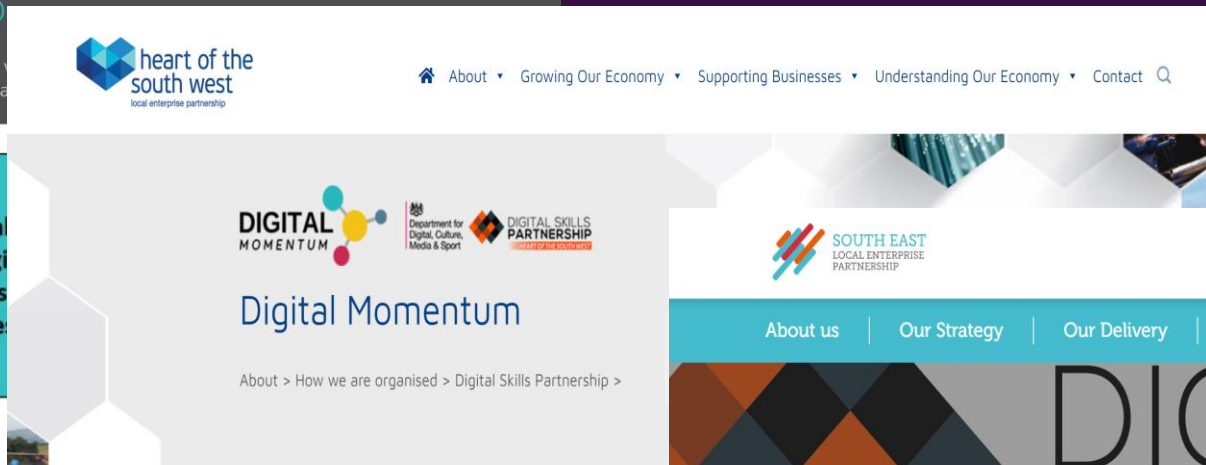
The Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Digital Skills Partnership (CIO S DSP) are driving economic growth and improving outcomes for individuals.

COVID-19 response - The need to embrace online learning
As a result, the Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Digital Skills Partnership has compiled a list of digital skills resources that may be of use to you during this time. To access resources, click on the link below.

Context

"A Local Digital Skills Partnership should be a local movement for change, based on a common vision, action, and the passion to sustain this action and pass on learning and experience to others."

The UK Government's [Digital Strategy](#) published in 2017 sets out the ambition to create a digital economy, and the importance of digital skills in enabling economic growth, not just in the digital sector but across the economy. In 2018, the Government proposed a [National Digital Skills Partnership](#), from which 6 Local Digital Skills Partnerships were established.



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DIGITAL MOMENTUM

Department for Digital Culture, Media & Sport

DIGITAL SKILLS PARTNERSHIP

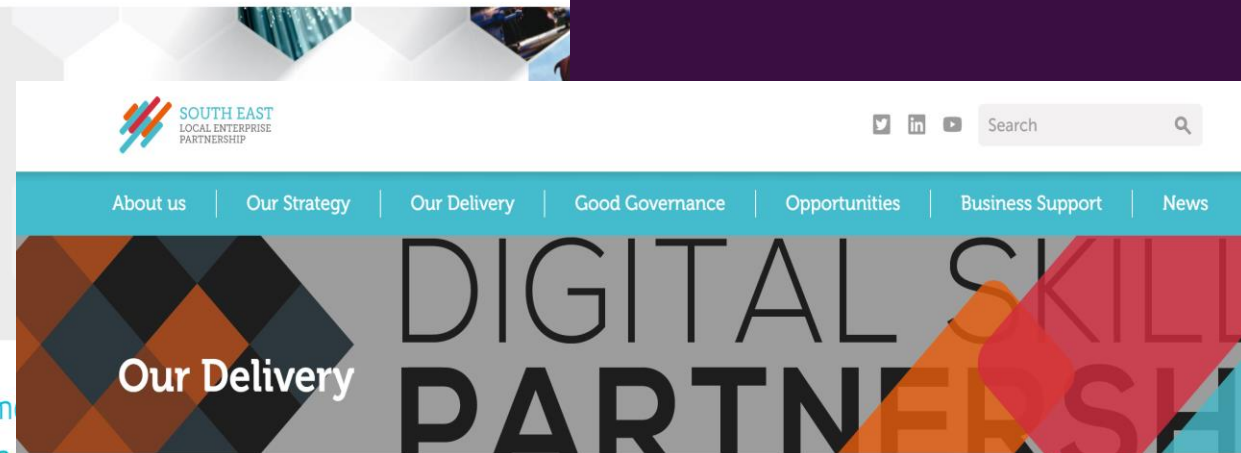
Digital Momentum

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Digital Momentum is a Digital Skills Programme for women and other underrepresented groups in Devon, Torbay and Plymouth.

The programme aims to encourage women and other underrepresented groups across the Heart of the South West region to embark on or progress within digital careers.

In partnership with local and national training providers, the Digital Momentum programme is providing digital skills training to women and other underrepresented groups in Devon, Torbay and Plymouth.



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DIGITAL SKILLS PARTNERSHIP

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Digital Skills Partnership



The government is working with Local Enterprise Partnerships (LEPs) and Combined Authorities (CAs) to help establish **Local Digital Skills Partnerships** (Local DSPs) across the country to tackle local digital skills challenges and build thriving and inclusive local economies.

In 2018, three Local DSPs were set up in Lancashire

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Progressing from EDSQ at level 1 or above

Purpose of programme

- Preparation for work e.g. JCP programme
- 16-19 study programme
- Traineeship
- Sector based work academy

Options available

- Embed within delivery of another programme e.g. employability
- Embed within a vocational offer
- Develop new skills for example more specialist digital skills
- Consolidate productivity skills at level 2

Digital skills in a larger programme of study at level 1

Examples of qualifications that could be used

- Level 1 Certificate in Progression
- Level 1 Certificate in Vocational Studies
- Level 1 Award/Certificate in Employability Skills
- Level 1 Certificates in sector specific vocational offer

Developing new skills at level 1

ICT Practitioner offer at Level 1

Free standing short courses

- Level 1 Award in Introduction to Programming (6 credits)
- Level 1 Award in Cybersecurity
- Level 1 in Games Design and Development
- Level 1 in Website Design
- All assessed through portfolio of evidence

ICT Practitioner offer at level 2

Key features

- Different sizes e.g. award, certificate, extended certificate, diploma
- Free standing short courses e.g. Cybersecurity, Programming, Website Design
- One mandatory unit – Digital Skills Career Progression
- Optional units in different specialisms e.g. Digital Design, Digital Marketing, IT and Networking Support, Productivity, Software and Programming
- All assessed through portfolio of evidence
- Support spikey profiles

Level 2 Award in Digital and IT Skills (6 credits)

Unit Number	Title	Level	Credit Value	GLH
T/618/3670	Computer-Aided Design	2	6	48
A/618/3671	Computerised Accounting Software	2	3	24
T/618/3703	Computer Programming	2	6	48
L/618/3674	Cybersecurity	2	6	48
D/618/3677	Data Management and Analytics	2	3	24
H/618/3678	Database Design and Development	2	6	48
K/618/3679	Desktop Publishing Software	2	3	24
D/618/3680	Digital Graphics	2	6	48
H/618/3681	Digital Skills Career Progression	2	3	24
K/618/3682	Digital Skills Project	2	6	48
M/618/3683	Exploring New and Emerging Digital Technologies	2	3	24
T/618/3684	Games Design and Development	2	6	48
A/618/3685	Games Engines	2	6	48
F/618/3686	Interactive Media	2	6	48
J/618/3687	IT Technical Support	2	6	48
L/618/3688	Mobile App Development	2	6	48
R/618/3689	Network Management	2	6	48
J/618/3690	Networking	2	6	48
L/618/3691	Photo Editing Software	2	3	24
R/618/3692	Presentation Software	2	3	24
Y/618/3693	Project Management Software	2	3	24
D/618/3694	Social Media Marketing	2	3	24
H/618/3695	Spreadsheet Software	2	3	24
K/618/3696	Using Digital Technologies	2	3	24
M/618/3697	Website Design and Development	2	6	48
K/618/3701	Word Processing Software	2	3	24

Level 2 examples



L2 Certificate in Digital and IT Skills (15 credits)

- Digital Skills Career Development (Core) (L2)
- Computer –Aided Design (L1)
- Word-processing software (L2)
- Photo Editing Software(L2)
- Data base software (L1)

L2 Diploma in Digital and IT Skills (45 credits)

- Digital Skills Career Development (Core)
- Digital Skills Project
- Programming
- Website Design & Development
- Digital Graphics
- Games Design and Development
- Interactive Media
- Photo Editing Software
- Social Media Marketing

L2 Extended Certificate in Digital and IT Skills (30 credits)

Resources



Link to our [EDSQ webpage](#)

Link to [Level 1 Essential Digital Skills](#)

Essential Digital Skills Qualifications (EDSQ)

Essential Digital Skills qualifications (EDSQs) are now available and will be automatically funded for adults who don't have the basic digital skills that are typically required for life and work.



Sign up to one of our introductory webinars to see the online assessment platform, or get in touch if you are ready to begin delivery of the qualifications.

- [Sign up for an EDSQ webinar now](#)
- [Enquire about running EDSQ](#)

“Essential Digital Skills qualifications are a positive step forward in giving our residents the skills they need to access jobs. We wouldn't have been able to offer them so quickly to our learners without the outstanding support we have received from Gateway Qualifications.”

Westminster Adult Education Service

Next steps



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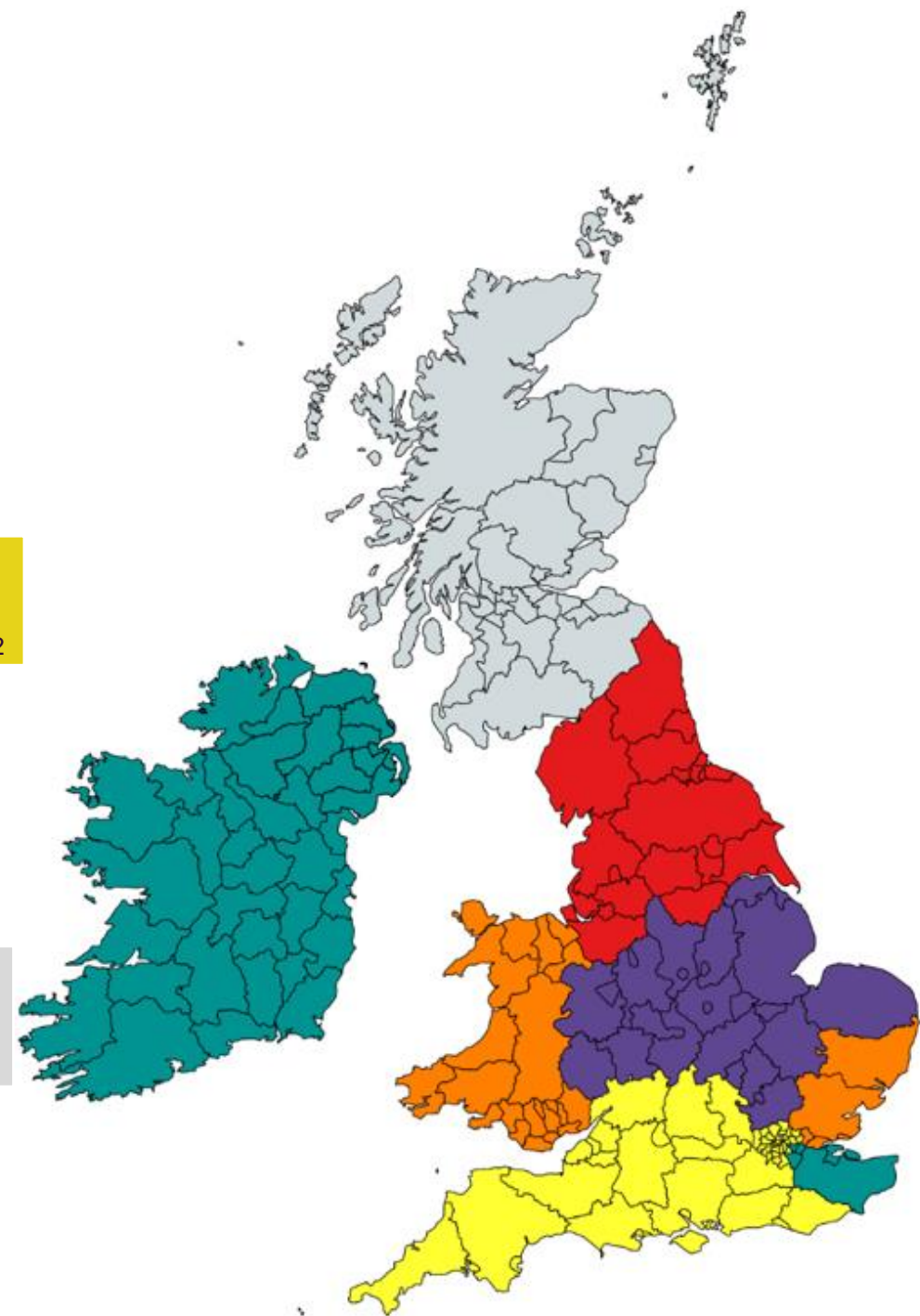
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Any questions?

On Demand

Ensuring learners are ready
for EDSQ

with
Diana Muallem and
Clare Dye

[Click here to watch on demand](#)

25th May 2021
2:30pm

EDSQ resources from bksb

with
Paul Saunders and bksb

[Click here to register for webinar](#)

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