Steve Willis Training achieves Good rating at first official OFSTED visit

Ofsted inspectors conducted a thorough inspection of the Burgess Hill & Portchester centres, overseeing classes, meeting teaching staff, support staff and inspecting the facilities. Ofsted inspectors found Steve Willis Training to be performing at a high standard with the overall effectiveness being graded 'Good' with a particular emphasis on behaviour and attitudes grading as 'Outstanding'.

Steve Willis Training has recently taken on additional apprentices to support the increased demand from employers looking to invest in talented young people looking to enter a trade. With over 450 apprentices enrolled across the Burgess Hill & Portchester centres Steve Willis Training works with just under 300 employers across the South East of England to provide quality and specialist training.

Jake Gibbons, Apprenticeship Manager, said: 'The recent inspection was a fantastic milestone for Steve Willis Training. I am proud that the passion and commitment of the team has been recognised. The reassurance our learners are provided with a quality experience in a supportive and safe environment gives us a great foundation to build on. With thanks also to both learners and employers, we now have a great opportunity to continue to improve and move onto the next level.'

Ofsted inspectors found 'Apprentices thrive in the calm and respectful environment, arising from the high expectations their trainers have of them, both inside and outside training sessions.' They also found the centre benefitted from heavy investment, with well-equipped facilities that reflect the current industry requirements.

Steve Willis, Managing Director, noted: 'I want to thank the whole team for their hard work which has led us to achieving this goal. As a company we aim to provide quality training and education, so it's great to see this recognised by the Ofsted inspectors. Going forward, we have an opportunity to continuously improve and develop our offering even further.'

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