

ESFA senior staff moves

News story

An update from Eileen Milner, ESFA chief executive, on senior staff moves in the agency



Eileen Milner, ESFA chief executive said:

The Department for Education has today appointed ESFA's Director of Apprenticeships, Keith Smith as their new Director for post-16 strategy.

The Director for post-16 strategy will lead on strategic issues across post 16 provision to deliver the Secretary of State's priorities. Keith will be working alongside Gillian Hillier, DfE Director of Careers and Further Education.

Keith will begin to formally take up the role later this month.

Keith has over 20 years' experience working in and around the education and skills system. Currently, Keith is the Director with responsibility for implementing apprenticeship funding reforms and the apprenticeship levy.

Peter Mucklow, Director of ESFA's Further Education Directorate, will be moving across to head up ESFA's Apprenticeship Directorate later this month.

Peter has over 25 years' experience working in the education and skills system and is currently responsible for oversight of FE providers.

Kirsty Evans, currently Deputy Director in the Funding Directorate and is responsible for the implementations and delivery of our funding systems, will become acting Director of Further Education,

taking over from Peter.

Kirsty has 25 years' experience working in the education and skills system. Previously she was responsible for ESFA's adult funding operations, and most recently led the co-ordination of ESFA's response to COVID-19.

I wish Keith, Peter and Kirsty all the very best as they step into their new roles.

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We have updated this news story to reflect the appointment of Kirsty Evans our acting Director of Funding Education.

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