Student Loans Company responds to Skills for Jobs white paper

Press release

SLC welcomes the Government's Skills for Jobs white paper.



The Student Loans Company (SLC) welcomes the Government's Skills for Jobs white paper and the proposed policy reforms, which include the introduction of a Lifelong Learning Entitlement and a move to Post Qualification Admission.

In response to the publication of the white paper, SLC has asked Derek Ross, currently Executive Director of Operations, to transition to the role of Executive Director HE and FE Policy Reform.

David Wallace, Deputy Chief Executive and Chief Customer Officer, SLC, said: "The reforms outlined in the Skills for Jobs white paper have the potential to fundamentally alter student finance and, therefore, how it is delivered by SLC."

"These proposals are published as SLC starts to implement transformational change; this new role within my team enables SLC to focus on responding to potentially significant reform, while we deliver our shareholders' existing policy priorities.

"SLC will play a key role in any early discussions, giving us the opportunity to actively shape how any reforms will be delivered. We intend to support Government to ensure these proposals take a holistic view of how any changes might affect our customers, colleagues, processes and technology and Derek's extensive experience of SLC's customer operations means that he is well positioned to support me with this activity."

Derek Ross, SLC's current Executive Director of Operations, will transition into the new role in the coming months during which time SLC will recruit a new Executive Director to lead its Operations Directorate.