



### Appendix 3 - City Deal employment and Skills Case studies

## PRESTON'S COLLEGE

### Construct at Preston

Preston's College hosted the Construct at Preston event in March 2018. At the event pupils from six high schools were able to try tasks in different trade disciplines in the construction industry.

The schools competed in a number of interactive challenges that linked to different trades in the construction industry and provided pupils the opportunity to learn about different trades and careers within the construction industry. The challenges acted as a tool to introduce young people to the industry by teaching them various tricks of the trades through a practical, hands-on experience.

Corpus Christi's Year 10 team won the competition with Ashton Community Science College second and Longridge High School third.

Mark Taylor, head of school for Construction & the Built Environment at Preston's College, concluded: "The event was aimed at introducing young people into the construction industry by providing experience of various professional and trade pathways available."

The Central Lancashire Construction Hub coordinated the event in partnership with the Lancashire Enterprise Partnership (LEP) and the three local authorities of central Lancashire.



## Apprenticeships

Professionals and Trainees

### Stephanie Shone

Graduate Planner – Planning and Environment Service



Before I joined the Professional Apprenticeship and Trainee Programme I acquired a Bachelors degree in Geography and a Masters in Environment, Culture and Society, both from Lancaster University.

I applied for this post because I have always had an interest in sustainable development, the maintenance of countryside and green space, and the impact this can have on communities and their wellbeing. It was important to me that my future career incorporated the need to preserve the countryside for future generations, whilst balancing the need to develop economically and socially.

**"The practical experience allows you to assist in the social, economic and physical development of the community whilst providing a valuable insight in to local authority work."**

I am currently working as part of the City Deal Delivery Team. This involves assisting with the planning processes concerning the implementation of numerous multi-million pound infrastructural projects in the South Ribble area. I can gain experience with many aspects involved in the formation of planning strategies, as well as their approval and implementation. I hope this will provide me with hands on, practical experience that will be beneficial in my future career progression.

I am undertaking a Masters of Civic Design in Town and Regional Planning. This is a brilliant opportunity and with the RTPI accreditation becoming increasingly recognised by employers, this will prove indispensable in future career progression in the planning industry.