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## **Appointment of a new awarding body for apprenticeships**

**Creative & Cultural Skills are pleased to announce that SQA have approved our proposal to award a suite of Creative & Cultural qualifications which have been earmarked for withdrawal recently by EDI/Pearson.**

SQA Awarding Body will be picking up 23 of the 26 qualifications. The full list is as follows:

### **List of Qualifications Approved By SQA**

- Level 2 Award in Principles of the Creative and Cultural Sector
- Level 3 Certificate in Principles of the Creative and Cultural Sector
- Level 2 Certificate in Technical Theatre Support: Sound, Light and Stage
- Level 3 Certificate in Technical Theatre: Sound, Light and Stage
- Level 2 Certificate in Community Arts Administration
- Level 3 Diploma in Community Arts Management
- Level 2 Certificate in Supporting Live Events and Promotion
- Level 3 Diploma in Live Events and Promotion
- Level 2 Certificate in Theatre Support: Costume and Wardrobe
- Level 3 Certificate in Theatre Operations: Costume and Wardrobe
- Level 2 Certificate in Music Business (Marketing and Promotion)
- Level 3 Diploma in Music Business (Record Label)
- Level 2 Certificate in Supporting Cultural Venue Operations
- Level 3 Certificate in Cultural Venue Operations
- Level 2 Award in Principles of the Cultural Heritage Sector
- Level 2 Certificate in Cultural Heritage
- Level 3 Diploma in Cultural Heritage
- Level 5 Diploma in Cultural Heritage
- Level 2 NVQ Certificate in Design Support

- Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Design
- Level 3 Diploma in Libraries, Archives and Information Services
- Level 2 Certificate in Libraries, Archives and Information Services
- Level 3 NVQ Certificate in Archaeological Practice

The qualifications not being picked up (due to lack of take-up) were:

- Level 4 NVQ Diploma in Design Management
- Level 2 Certificate in Theatre Front of House Skills
- Level 3 Diploma in Theatre Front of House Skills

SQA are working closely with EDI (Pearson) to oversee the accreditation of the qualifications with SQA, using units and rules of combination transferred over from EDI (Pearson) to minimise unnecessary changes to the qualifications. Once the qualifications are accredited SQA can begin liaising with centres to take them through a shorter centre approval process.

*"We will be working closely with SQA to ensure a seamless transition for our customers. We are keen to continue to work with SQA in the future as a trusted partner who supports the creative and cultural sector."*

Dawn Hillier, Head of Qualifications

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