

WEDNESDAY WEEKLY

Your weekly update of the latest Apprenticeship vacancies as well as an array of opportunities in and around Suffolk.



Individuals 16+!

If you, or someone you know, is interested in progressing with an apprenticeship, please register your interest here or scan the QR code below 📲



Employers!



Are you an employer that would like to take on an apprentice, but don't know where to start?

Do you have skills gaps in your business that an apprentice could fill?

Get in touch with us - apprenticeships@suffolk.gov.uk

MEET THE TEAM



Sharon Adam



Job role:

I'm the Apprenticeships Suffolk Manager/Policy Manager, my role is varied and fast moving. On a day-to-day basis, I manage the team, monitor targets, achievements and progress, engage with stakeholders and partners and attend many meetings to establish if there is opportunity to work collaboratively. In addition, I monitor what's going on nationally with apprenticeships and apprenticeship funding, and more locally work with the Suffolk the Further Education colleges and training providers, planning what support our team can provide to increase apprenticeship starts and reduce drop-out. More recently a large part of my work has been to include visiting the prisons in Suffolk and Norfolk to support individuals back into employment or an apprenticeship on release.

Proudest achievement:

My children who have navigated childhood and teen years to become amazing well-rounded individuals.

Most rewarding part of your job:

Being privileged to lead such an amazing team who are as passionate as I am about apprenticeships and removing barriers into employment and education. Seeing someone achieve something they never thought possible is equivalent to a 'Proud mum moment'.

Cheryll Gill



Job role:

My role is Senior Advisor and I focus on Pathways into Apprenticeships. It's a varied role, which allows me to work with anyone that may have a barrier that may mean getting an apprenticeship opportunity is not straightforward. This could be mental health, physical health, travel, having a conviction, prison leavers, care leavers, neurodiversity etc ...the list goes on. I am lucky that I get to do face to face work regularly in a variety of settings, and no 2 days are the same!

Favourite place to travel or go on holiday:

Huge camping fan, love our coastline in the UK, but have a real soft spot for Thailand, especially Koh Lanta

Most rewarding part of your job:

So many things! Every time a young person experiences something they said they couldn't do. Taking them into new environments, seeing them find their people and their purpose. Helping them to challenge expectations and learn from the ups and downs of life. It's a brilliant job and I love almost every part of it.

MEET THE TEAM



Cathy Carr



Job role:

I am the Participant Advisor and I am responsible for contacting and speaking to everyone that refers to our service. My role is to offer information, advice and guidance on apprenticeships, next steps, career progression, courses, voluntary work, or sign posting to other services. On a day-to-day basis, I will arrange initial calls and speak to everyone about apprenticeships, what this entails, find out about your career interests and aspirations. There may be occasions where someone has no idea what they want to do, someone may need help with their CV, individuals considering a change of career direction, or return to work after a break and now want courses to upskill or need their maths and English.

Proudest achievement:

My daughter who this year finished her PHD and is now a Doctor of Philosophy.

Last book you read:

Ted If anyone watches the program, 'Gone Fishing', Ted is the dog and this book is his 'Pawtobiography' of his adventures.

Polly Lewis



Job role:

I am the Apprenticeships Suffolk Coordinator, I support the AS team ay to day with the overall delivery of the service, help with checking in with our registered participants, attending events and also creating resources including the Wednesday Weekly newsletter. What I enjoy most about my role is how varied it is and working alongside a great team.

Favourite food/meal/cuisine:

Top 3 would be Italian, Mexican and Chinese

Favourite place to travel or go on holiday:

Anywhere with sun, a beach and a high UV index

Cadija Djabula



Job role:

Il am the business support officer in the apprenticeship team. I process incoming referrals and offer day to day support to the team. I often deal with our social media content.

Favourite film or series:

Outlanders or House of Dragon and Game of Thrones, I can never decide

Favourite music artist/song:

Lana Del Ray and Summer Walker

NEW

Lifting Equipment Technician Apprentice!



Careers

Ipswich Lifting 18500 40 Apprenticeship 12 Mar 2025

About The Role

Are you a friendly and outgoing person who is looking for a Company that really values your contribution and can offer you award-winning training opportunities? Read on as we may have just the apprenticeship you are looking for!

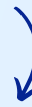
Our apprentices are the future of our business. On our 27-month apprenticeship programme you will learn the skills to become a successful Lifting Engineer with a fantastic range of future career options ahead of you. With the current levels of advancement in technology, there could not be a more exciting time to join us and following successful completion of your apprenticeship you will be offered a permanent role, with one of the best rental equipment providers in the industry.

**[Click here for further information
& how to apply](#)**

Maths & English Update



For apprentices aged 16-18:



Level 2 Apprenticeships: Apprentices must achieve level 1 and attempt the Level 2 Functional Skills assessments in English and Maths if they haven't already achieved a GCSE grade 4 (C) or higher

- They do not need to pass the level 2 assessments to complete their apprenticeship.
- They must attempt the assessment as part of the apprenticeship funding rules.

Level 3 Apprenticeships and Above: Apprentices must pass Level 2 Functional Skills if they have not already achieved a GCSE grade 4 or higher

For apprentices aged 19+:



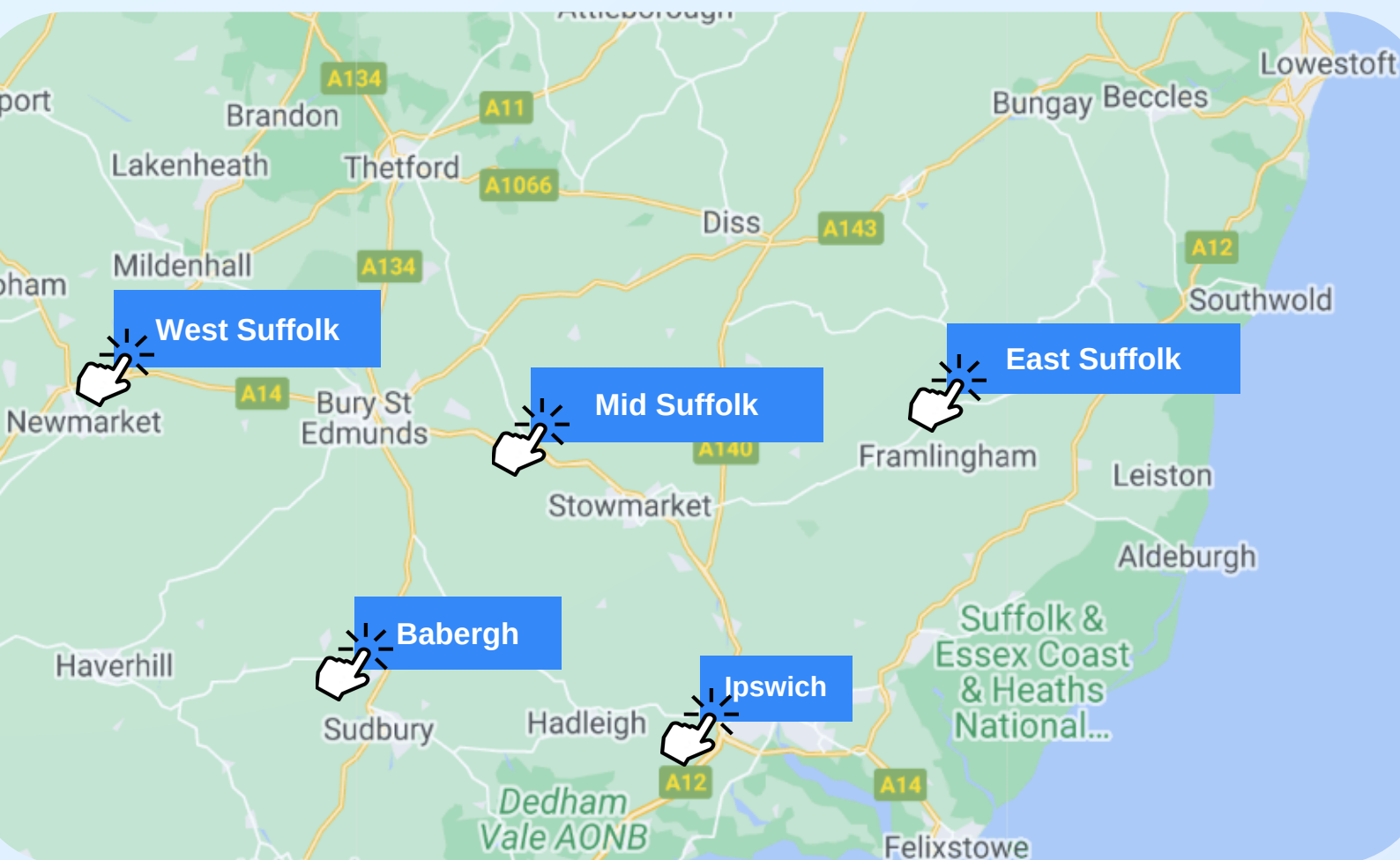
Apprentices aged 19+ have the option to opt in or opt out of Functional Skills in English and / or Maths, with employer agreement.

- If the apprentice opts in, they must undertake the assessments for the level they are working towards (e.g., Entry Level, Level 1, or Level 2). They can still complete their apprenticeship by proceeding directly to their End Point Assessment (EPA) without needing to pass Functional Skills assessments.
- If the apprentice chooses not to opt in, they will complete their apprenticeship by proceeding directly to their End Point Assessment (EPA) without needing to upskill in maths and/ or English or pass Functional Skills assessments.

For further information [click here](#) to download the Apprenticeship Funding Rules

What's happening in Suffolk?

Click on each district below on the map or scan the QR codes to see an overview of upcoming events, courses & apprenticeship vacancies in your area.



West Suffolk

Babergh & Mid Suffolk

East Suffolk

Ipswich



YEAR 11 SUPPORT



To start an apprenticeship, you'll need to be:

- 16 or over
- living in England
- not in full-time education

You can apply for an apprenticeship while you're still at school but you'll need to be 16 or over and completed year 11 before you can start the apprenticeship.

Useful Links & Resources:



[Apprenticeships
Suffolk Year 11 Padlet](#)

[Rising High - Suffolk
Jobs Direct](#)

[Vacancies for school
leavers - Indeed](#)

[Everything you need to
know about apprenticeships
in Early Years](#)

[Amazing
Apprenticeships -
Employers](#)

[Find an apprenticeship](#)

[Icanbea CV Builder](#)

[Apprenticeships
Suffolk - Links &
Downloads](#)

Register your interest
with Apprenticeships
Suffolk:



If you are currently in Year 11 (16+ years old) and would like to have a further conversation about progressing with an apprenticeship as a post-16 option, please complete our Participant Referral Form or scan the QR code to register your interest



Suffolk Training Providers

Below are the Suffolk based Providers that deliver apprenticeship training. Click on the provider logos to visit their website and view their opportunities.



THANK YOU FOR READING!



Click the following logos to find more apprenticeship opportunities:

