

Council wins Employer of the Year



Edinburgh City Council wins Scotland's first Public Sector Employer of the Year category.

The Council's determination to provide positive outcomes for the capital's young people has resulted in the Edinburgh Guarantee, a city-wide initiative, which offers the opportunity of a positive workplace destination to the city's school leavers and young people.

The Modern Apprenticeship model allows the Council and partners to recruit school leavers and offers strong vocational training with industry recognised qualifications.

The Council's apprenticeship programme is also about developing a workforce for the future to ensure the citizens of Edinburgh receive the services they need. A further benefit is that Modern Apprentices bring with them energy and new ways of thinking.

Council apprentices work in business administration, construction, customer services, horticulture, engineering, arboriculture, creative industries and youth work.

In a separate award, the Chief Executive Sue Bruce also won the HR Network Chief Executive of the Year award.

Sue Bruce, Chief Executive, The City of Edinburgh Council, said:- "I am delighted to have been named Chief Executive of the Year at the HR NETWORK National Awards. Whilst this is a personal recognition, the achievement reflects the talent and hard-work of staff throughout the Council in continually improving services to the people of Edinburgh.

Every member of staff contributes to the culture and performance of the organisation and has played a part in this success.”