## New Future Skills Hub for North Ayrshire

News story

Magnox funding helps boost further and higher education opportunities in North Ayrshire.



North Ayrshire College has received funding from Magnox

Magnox is pleased to announce £499,999 has been committed to Ayrshire College for the new Future Skills Hub on the Kilwinning Campus, due to open in late 2021.

The college has been given a major boost with the allocation of <u>Nuclear</u> <u>Decommissioning Authority</u> (NDA) funding — allocated through the Magnox socioeconomic scheme. The aim of the scheme is to mitigate the impact of decommissioning and support sustainable communities in which Magnox operates.

The Hub will deliver a curriculum in Engineering, Construction and SMART Technologies for employers, primary schools, secondary schools and college students. The new facility will provide first-class training for people in Ayrshire for generations.

David Wallace, NDA Stakeholder Relations and Socio Economics Manager, said:

Support for this project has leveraged much-needed match-funding, which will help build a sustainable future long after the Hunterston A site has closed. These new training facilities will prepare current and future generations for the employment opportunities generated by the Ayrshire Growth Deal.

Ayrshire College Principal, Carol Turnbull said:

The news that Magnox has announced this outstanding funding package towards the creation of the Future Skills Hub in North Ayrshire is marvellous news for the College and all our partners and stakeholders in education and business. Magnox's commitment to the project has been invaluable in support of us bringing the funding package together and we are grateful for this funding. The Future Skills Hub will impact positively on key skills and employability opportunities for so many people across the community".

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