Kent County Council

Apprenticeships Select Committee

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Biography

Lindsay Jardine, Director of Operations, Kent Association of Training Organisations (KATO)

KATO is a network of training providers and FE Colleges with 58 member organisations who deliver work based learning, apprenticeships and other provision, including skills for the unemployed across Kent and Medway. KATO works closely with the National Apprenticeship Service, Skills Funding Agency, Education Funding Agency and other key stakeholders to support and ensure high quality provision and share best practice across the county.

As Director of Operations for KATO, Lindsay represents training providers at key meetings including the Joint Partnership Board, Kent Strategic Forum and the Kent Apprenticeship Partnership Group. This enables providers' voices to be heard and key relevant information to be shared directly with the delivery providers.