

We've got a pretty exciting year ahead and we're hoping to bring you all the highlights in a monthly newsletter. If you have anything you'd like to tell people about let us know.

ISK personnel change

In January 2020 Edwina O'Brien joined as the KPtW manager and has been instrumental to the success of the programme to date. With the uncertainty around continued funding, Edwina took the opportunity to accept a role with Milbank Industrial Electric Co, and we wish her well in her new position.

Amish Fermah, with a background in marketing and HR, has come on board to help with our renewed marketing and communications activity, and the establishment of the proposed ISK Workforce Training Service.

Driver Licencing Programme

The Class 1 Driver Licence pilot that ran from March to June this year was successful. There was a total of nine employees who needed to gain either their learner licence (5) or full licence (4).

The four employees gained their Learners Licence, with one still to sit the test and four Restricted Licence holders also gained their Full Licences.

The programme was a success in part to the fact that the employers on the pilot agreed to release their employees during work hours to attend weekly theory based classes or driving lessons.



If you have an employee that needs help getting their licence please get in touch with Daryll at daryll@isk.nz

ISK Workforce Training Service



Employers' feedback is that coordinating and facilitating training courses can be time consuming, and often more expensive than it needs to be. It's proposed that ISK produce a calendar of courses tailored to member's requirements. We'll be in touch over the next two to three weeks to find out how we can help you in this area.

Industry Entrance

ISK is continuing its commitment to develop the student pathways to *Industry Entrance Certification*. National recognition of this qualification will mean that employers can be assured that school leavers holding these credits are workforce ready and suitable for apprenticeships, or entry level positions.

Office space for lease



Jones & Cole Electrical have a medium sized space above their office on Manukorihi Drive (pictured above) that is currently sitting empty. Both rooms measure approximately 100 square metres.

Contact garry@sparkies.net.nz if you're interested in occupying the space.