

Labour Market Information:

New app to help with careers information:

DfE invests in apps to ‘revolutionise’ career advice for students: The government has unveiled two apps it claims will “revolutionise” the way students are given advice on careers and further education.

The apps, the development of each of was supported by £150,000 in funding from the Department for Education’s Open Data Competition, are available from this week. Both are now in open beta phase and can be downloaded from the developers’ websites.

The ThinkUni application, created by AccessEd, aims to help potential university applicants collate information on institutions, courses, and costs.

Try ThinkUni here - <https://www.access-ed.ngo/thinkuni>

TheWayUp!, meanwhile, is published by The Profs. The app offers a “game for students to simulate different graduate career paths to help them make better choices about their future”.

Try TheWayUp! here - <https://www.thewayup.co.uk/>

Read more: [Public Technology.net](https://www.publictechnology.net)

National news:

Engineering

DAF Trucks launches technician recruitment drive: DAF Trucks has embarked upon an ambitious career awareness campaign to bring new technicians into the DAF Dealer Network, targeting those new to the industry as well as existing mechanics and technicians.

‘Join the Winning Team’ – the name of the campaign – is designed to highlight the diverse range of roles found in a modern commercial vehicle workshop and to showcase the role of a technician as a fulfilling, long-term career choice.

Read more: [DAF Trucks](#)

More info: [Become a DAF Technician](#)

ICT Apprenticeships

Intequal Are Offering Over 50 IT, Sales & Marketing Apprenticeships Across the UK Right Now: The IT apprenticeship recruitment company Intequal is open for business – with over 50 apprenticeship vacancies you can apply for across the UK right now.

They specialise in five types of IT apprenticeship, and they’re all really varied – from digital marketing and technical sales to software development – so even if you never thought of yourself as ‘techie’ you could still find a great opportunity that’s right for you.

Read more: [Youth Employment UK](#)

More info: Vacancies listed online at <https://intequal.co.uk/find-a-job/>

Northamptonshire news:

Northampton - Transport

Firm takeover creates new taxi driver jobs in Northampton: A company from Milton Keynes has acquired a Northampton-based private hire firm Z Cars - creating new jobs in the town.

The acquisition is the fourth for Skyline Taxis in just 18 months, which has seen it expand into Northamptonshire, Buckinghamshire and Bedfordshire.

Managing director of Skyline Taxis, Gav Sokhi, has confirmed that the deal will see 20 drivers and office staff move over from Z Cars to Skyline Taxis, and that 50 additional jobs will be created across the three counties.

Read more: [Northampton Chronicle & Echo](#)

Rushden - Engineering

Engineering firm to create 100 jobs: Up to 100 skilled jobs are set to be created in Northamptonshire after a company announced a significant investment in a new engineering and manufacturing facility.

The adi Group, a multi-disciplinary engineering firm, has chosen a base at the Crown Way Industrial Estate in Rushden to launch in May.

Read more: [Business Desk](#)

Applications: Vacancies listed online at <https://www.adiltd.co.uk/careers/>

Wellingborough - Engineering

New Vehicle Maintenance Unit creates further jobs in Northamptonshire: Coop has partnered with Scania dealer, TruckEast Ltd, opening up a vehicle maintenance unit at their distribution centre in Wellingborough.

Based on the Park Farm Industrial Estate, the site brings an opportunity for further jobs in the area.

The team of dedicated technicians that will be based at the vehicle maintenance unit (vmu) will be responsible for all vehicle maintenance, inspections and MOT preparation including trailers and tail-lift.

Read more: [UK Haulier](#)

Applications: Vacancies listed online at <https://www.scania.com/uk/en/truckeast/experience/work-with-us.html>

Wellingborough - Construction

Kier to start main build at new £253m Wellingborough prison: Kier is set to start on site to deliver the new build resettlement prison at Wellingborough at the beginning of May after being awarded the £253m contract by the MoJ under its Prison Estate Transformation Programme.

Key to the project is Kier and MoJ's commitment to engage with the local community. Hundreds of jobs will be created throughout the construction phase. The next generation of talent will also be key to the project's success with 50 apprenticeship opportunities available and 100 new jobs created on site.

The project is due to start on site in May 2019, with works due to complete in Autumn 2021.

Read more: [East Midlands Business Link](#)

Applications: More info available at <https://www.kier.co.uk/careers/>

Kettering - Hospitality

Hotly-anticipated Kettering dinosaur restaurant to open in June: The £100k renovation of a new dinosaur-themed diner set to open in Kettering this summer is nearing completion.

It is hoped up to 30 staff will be employed at the restaurant.

Read more: [Northants Telegraph](#)