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1. Action: additional non-formula community learning funding for 2018 to 2019

The government has re-affirmed its commitment to community learning by retaining 2016 to 2017 funding levels for 31 local authority areas, where £4.9m of community learning will no longer be available when existing rundown contracts end on 31 July.

In response we have:

- written to 30 local authorities offering to increase their non-formula community learning funding allocation
- [launched an invitation to tender \(ITT 30352\)](#) on 31 May for £2.6 million of community learning funding in Somerset, for the 2018 to 2019 funding year - the ITT closes at midday on Thursday, 21 June

2. Information: industry placement guidance materials

A set of [guidance materials focusing on how to effectively implement industry placements](#) (formerly 'work placements') are now available on Association of Colleges website.

Based on a pilot scheme running throughout 2017 to 2018 academic year, [The Challenge](#), on behalf of the department have created these resources for post-16 education providers and employers. They will be

particularly useful for providers who will be delivering industry placements in 2018 to 2019 academic year with funding from the capacity and delivery fund.

The guidance covers a range of things including implementing the placements, engaging staff and students, and a toolkit for employer engagement.

A second batch of guidance resources will be available from July 2018. We will let you know when these are available through ESFA Update.

3. Information: feedback on 16 to 19 revenue funding allocation videos

In ESFA e-bulletin Thursday, 10 May edition, we let you know about the [opportunity to give your feedback](#) on some videos to improve your understanding of 16 to 19 revenue funding allocations.

Thank you to those who have already responded. The [survey](#) is open until Sunday, 10 June for anybody who is planning to provide feedback.

4. Information: Green for Grenfell, Friday 15 June

Thursday 14, June will mark one year since the Grenfell tragedy. On Friday, 15 June Grenfell United are inviting schools to take part in Green for Grenfell Day, by wearing green and helping with a local community project.

To join in, you can:

- wear something green to school
- help with a school project or local cause
- use the hashtag #GreenForGrenfellDay

You can find more information on [Grenfell United's website](#).

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