

Education and Training Annual Report

Purpose: For Noting

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1. Summary

The CLC conducts a discrete annual education review with SQA and its approved Centre each December. The review focuses on the day-to-day mechanics of operating and maintaining the SQA/CLC Diplomas and the trends for student uptake of the CLC qualifications. This year data has been collected remotely. In addition, the CLC also conducted an education survey in May 2024.

This paper includes updates on:

1. THE PIPELINE OF CLC LAWYERS
2. STUDENT NUMBERS
3. EDUCATION SURVEY
4. DIPLOMA REVIEW

2. Recommendations

The Council is invited to note the Education and Training Annual Report.

3. Regulatory Objectives

By maintaining entry standards into the profession and the sustainable pipeline of future CLC Technicians and Lawyers, the delivery of education and training supports achievement of the following Regulatory Objectives in particular:

- Encourage an independent, strong, diverse and effective legal profession.
- Promote and maintain adherence to the professional principles.

4. Risk management.

The CLC divested itself from direct delivery of education to address any perceived conflict of interest between being the licensing authority and education provider. The CLC liaises with SQA and the Approved Centres to ensure that improvements continue to be made to the qualification scheme.

5. Financial impact

No direct impact. This report covers activity carried out by external stakeholders. There is a causal link between income received by the CLC generated by the Licensing Team derived from individual licence applications and the subsequent annual fees charged each year to individual licence holders to renew their licence.

6. Communications requirements

None. A summary of the student trends for 2023/24 will be shared with SQA Approved Centres.

7. Publication requirements

This report is not for publication as it contains information which is commercially sensitive. An overview of Education and Training will be included in the CLC Annual Report.