

The Welsh Assembly Government's Department of Children, Education and Lifelong Learning has announced funding of £172, 000 for a Rhyl City Strategy employability and training scheme to tackle skills shortages and economic inactivity in the town.

The scheme will provide quality employability training, engaging local people with learning, helping them to increase their motivation, skills levels and move into work.

Deputy skills minister John Griffiths said "high quality training and education is at the forefront of everything we do as an Assembly Government. This Employability and Training project will address the skills gaps and shortages in priority sectors in Rhyl contributing to the town's economic regeneration. It will also give local people the opportunity to unlock their talent, providing them with essential skills to take up employment and maintain their employability within the labour market".

Chair of Rhyl City Strategy's Executive Board, Barry Mellor of Arriva North West and Wales said of the funding award: "We are extremely grateful to DCELLs for this financial support, and for the invaluable help this will give in supporting unemployed people back to work".

Anyone interested in signing up for training or in finding out more about the scheme can contact the team on 01745 343605.