

Level 2 Award Craft Dressmaking

Profile – While meeting with female participants interested in the Employ Me Programme it was discovered that many wanted to return to the workforce on a self-employed basis. Discussions were held about what kind of skills could enable these participants to pursue self-employment opportunities.

Challenge – Participants voiced that they wanted to be able to start something without having to require a large financial investment. They were particularly interested in opportunities that would involve minimal start up costs and initial set up.

Solution – SRC were able to arrange for a Level 2 Craft Dressmaking course to run that would accommodate these needs for the individuals.

Benefits and Progress – Being fully funded by the UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) meant these individuals would gain the skills needed to become self-employed without needing to pay for their training, keeping start-up costs down. Many immediately began self-employment on completion of the course.

Rachel Turner who completed the course stated:
 “I really enjoyed the course. It taught me a lot of things and give me a wide range of ideas of the simple things you can make yourself. I learned so much using a sewing machine and I am enjoying making items for family and friends.”

