Virtual Money Works - Scotland



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An interactive financial and digital skills programme for young adults moving into independent living.

Young people living on their own, or about to, are often in need of survival money management skills and actions they can implement immediately.



Key Facts

Format: 2 x 4.5 hours or 4 x 2 hours and 15 minute sessions.

Target group: 16-25 year olds.

Sessions include:

for their future.

- Budgeting and Household Costs: Attitudes towards money, needs & wants, cutting back, budgeting, reading bills and household costs.
- Your Income: Sources of income, wage slips, tax & NI, benefits, Universal Credit and sanctions.
- Banking and Being Informed: How banks work, savings and current accounts, interest, forms of payment and choosing an account.
- Borrowing and Debt: Forms of borrowing, credit history, debt consequences and prioritisation and staying safe with money.

Virtual Money Works has a strong focus on embedding digital skills. By delivering online, we increase young people's access to and use of digital tools to manage their money. Their increased confidence and new abilities help motivate them to make practical financial decisions and plan

Other topics cover: finding information; shopping around; accessing financial services and benefits; managing money; staying safe online; digital footprints; checking credit scores; online banking and payments and staying safe from scams

Virtual Money Works maps into a range of accredited life skills, money management and employability certificates.

Young people attending the programme can also qualify for an SCQF Level 4 in Personal Money Management, accredited by SQA

This course is a variation of our in-person Money Works programme.



Drop in average debts of Money Works participants. Control groups' debt grew 50%

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