

# ECITB Boosts Engineering Construction Standards with Chartership Programme

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**The Engineering Construction Industry Training Board (ECITB) is demonstrating its commitment to maintaining high professional standards by helping 30 individuals achieve Chartered Project Professional (ChPP) status through its partnership programme with the Association for Project Management (APM).**

Following high demand, the ECITB's chartered programme doubled its intake in 2024, with 20 individuals already successfully gaining chartership in 2025. The continued investment underscores the ECITB's dedication to upskilling the workforce and supporting the UK's net zero ambitions across key sectors such as oil and gas, nuclear, renewables, and carbon capture.

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## Demonstrating the Highest Standards of Expertise

The ChPP programme requires candidates to demonstrate leadership and project management expertise through a series of workshops, a portfolio, and a final interview. Successful participants achieve the coveted Chartered Project Professional status, which signifies the highest standard of expertise and exceptional project capabilities, underpinned by a defined level of technical knowledge, professional practice, and ethical behaviour.

**Matt Knights, Director of Regional Operations at the ECITB, said:** "The ChPP programme is a great way for individuals to achieve the chartered status and we congratulate those that have completed the programme so far this year. We recognise the importance of the project management discipline across the engineering construction industry and invest in the programme to ensure this kind of recognition can be

accessed. Becoming a Chartered Project Professional shows a commitment to professional standards, continuing professional development and ethical and professional conduct. ChPP status also gives assurance to employers and clients showing achievement at a defined level.”

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## Real-World Benefits for Professionals

The chartership is proving beneficial for professionals working within the industry, providing both personal development and clear career advancement metrics.

**Chris McGee, Projects Focal Point at Harbour Energy, was part of the cohort who started the ECITB-funded programme in September 2023. He said:** “I gained a broader understanding of the different industries project management covers and discovered a wider toolset and skillset. It shows there is not just one way of doing things. It gives you lots of methods and tools you can bring into your work. This was really beneficial and I have already used these new tools in my day-to-day role. Achieving chartership helps your current employer gauge the level you are at within your career and lets prospective employers understand the skillset that this certificate shows you have gained.”

The ECITB’s investment is part of its wider strategy to professionalise the engineering construction sector and ensure the UK workforce is equipped with the skills needed to deliver complex, multi-billion-pound infrastructure projects.