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During December, Lantra were pleased to work alongside industry experts and our hosts Lagan, to trial a different approach to the NHSS12C Operative approval process.

This new approach for learners was designed to streamline the process from start to finish, consolidating the training and assessment into one week; with the expectation of benefiting both the learner and their employer in upskilling Operatives within manageable timeframes.

The pilot carried out in December was an ideal opportunity for industry to assess the effectiveness of the revised training and assessment and how this could aid employers and learners achieve a qualified workforce for NHSS12C: Mobile Lane Closures efficiently and affordably.

It is fair to say that the changes to the NHSS12C training and assessment are very positive at both the learner and employer levels and may open up other opportunities within similar sectors, together with further potential improvements to NHSS12C.

Our industry experts and lead 12C Quality Assurers, Brian O’Neil and Brian Adams, have highlighted that this pilot has shown, for Mobile Lane Closure learners, completing the training and then practical assessment as a ‘training package’ provided positive advantages for the learners, enabling them to apply their knowledge straight into practice in a live environment, with skilled assessors advising every step of the way.

Lantra is reviewing the findings and will be continuing to work with industry and the NHSS12 Committee to look at applying this new method of 12C training into the NHSS12C approval route, moving forward into 2025. Further updates to follow.

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