

## SHAPING THE FUTURE TOGETHER - Mark Honebone shares his story

### THE BACKGROUND

Mark started at Wylfa in 2002 after nine-and-a-half years as a Police Dog Handler in the RAF. He joined as a Security Guard before moving to Waste and Ops Support five years later.

When news came about the changes, Mark realised his career at Wylfa was coming to an end – but it was time to plan ahead and to think about the exciting possibilities it could hold.

### THE APPROACH

Mark heard about Shaping the Future in late 2011. *“It seemed to be saying a lot of what I was thinking and also offered financial support towards training for the future”.*

Mark submitted his Career Journal in July 2012 – his goal: to train to become a teacher.

Mark attended the Launch Event, talked to his Coach about his Strengthscope Report and also used other resources available, like the Penna website. What particularly stood out was the help and advice he received along the way. *“It has helped me map out the best route to achieving my goal of becoming a teacher. And I’ve also been shown where my personal strengths lie and which areas I need to focus on more.”*

Crucially Mark also received the funding he requested following a review by the Shaping the Future Board – allowing him to undertake his preferred method of study.

### THE FUTURE

Mark hopes to complete his Open University undergraduate course in 2015/6. As his wife-to-be is also a teacher Shaping the Future has helped him to not only make a career change, but a lifestyle one too.

*“Regardless of what the future may hold, this scheme is a good thing. It’s focused on helping us with what we want to achieve - not only by offering good advice from experienced people but by backing that up with the financial help needed.”*

*“The coaching sessions in particular were outstanding...”*



*“I received lots of good practical advice.”*

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