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Commission consults with Barossa industry, community leaders about skills needs

The State's Training and Skills Commission will visit the Barossa Valley today to consult with local industry and community leaders about the skills and workforce development needs of the region.

Training and Skills Commission Chair Anthony Kittel said it is critical that new and existing workers in the Barossa Valley are supported to build on their skills through high quality training.

"Through this consultation, community leaders can tell us about workforce planning, skills needs and participation issues for the region's economy," Mr Kittel said.

"This visit provides the Commission with an opportunity to understand first-hand the Barossa Valley's economic environment, employment opportunities and the challenges the community faces.

"The Commission remains ever vigilant on the need for local intelligence and industry input into State Government decisions on our vocational education and training and higher education systems.

"The Commission will provide feedback to the Barossa community on work of the Commission including its recently released Report to Government on South Australia's Industry Priority Qualifications.

"This industry intelligence will inform the development of the Commission's independent advice to the Minister for Higher Education and Skills.

"We look forward to working together with industry and employers to address skills needs and challenges to help more people into training that meets local needs."

For more information about the Training and Skills Commission, including a copy of the Report to Government on South Australia's Industry Priority Qualifications, visit:

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