

Dear Investors in People organisation,

You may have seen some recent coverage in the media that talks about Investors in People being closed down as part of the efficiencies being introduced by Government. To allay any confusion or concern, I wanted to write to reassure you that the Investors in People framework is very much alive and well and there are no plans to cease its products and services.

As you may recall, we wrote to you in February to inform you that strategic ownership of Investors in People was being transferred to the UK Commission for Employment and Skills. This transfer took place on the 1st April this year and, as a result, the former head office organisation - Investors in People UK (IIPUK) – was closed. However, please rest assured that Investors in People's products and services are still very much available. They are being overseen by the UK Commission and provided by our network of regional Investors in People Centres.

The UK Commission is now the new guardian of the Investors in People Standard and is a keen advocate for the new choices approach. The move to the UK Commission places Investors in People at the heart of the UK's business improvement agenda and will ensure that it continues to play a key role in driving enhanced productivity.

So, whilst we may be looking at ways for Investors in People to be delivered to our customers more effectively, and to improve your satisfaction, there are no plans for major changes to the product. Indeed the feedback we have received following the launch of the new choices approach last year has been positive, and we are delighted to see more organisations recognised with both the Investors in People Standard and the new Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards. We will of course continue to keep you informed of any other planned changes in future.

Should you have any further questions about this or any other issues regarding Investors in People, please do contact our Customer Services helpline on 0207 881 8966.

Yours sincerely

The Investors in People Team
UK Commission for Employment and Skills