

Questions and Answers from Engagement Session held Friday 10th November 2017

Will the information from the engagement event be shared? Yes, via the Chest

Is your framework being extended to Cumbria District Councils? Our framework will be open to all public authorities in Cumbria

Are you looking to work with a set number of providers, E.G. a max of 10 or 20?

The number of providers we will accept onto the framework is unlimited as we wish to ensure the range of providers can meet our organisational requirements.

Because you have large subject areas to cover are you expecting E.G.. 50 only in Care or 50 in Construction etc?

Specific category requirements will be detailed at the mini-competition stage. The Council is committed to achieving our public sector target of an average of 250 apprentices per year and will align the apprenticeship programme to our workforce needs.

Is there a planned division of the levy spend across the main apprenticeship types?

No, apprenticeship requirements will reflect service need

Will the Framework document outline likely demand/levels

Demand/levels will be detailed at the mini-competition stage

Are you predominately looking at higher apprenticeships?

No, we are looking to cover all - from level 2 to level 7

What are your success rates?

The Council has a successful track record in providing apprenticeships with the vast majority of our apprentices securing full-time employment or entering further and higher education at the end of the apprenticeship

Are you looking at standards only or will you also be looking at frameworks?

Both depending on demand

If we are already on the framework do we have to re-apply? Yes

Is there an Ofsted grading criteria? Details of requirements will be in the ITT documentation

Do we need to be on the Register of Apprenticeships? Details of requirements will be in the ITT documentation