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HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT COMMITTEE ROOM 14. JUNE 16, 2015:

INTRODUCTIONS

SHADOW MINISTER

12:20 DEBATE ABOUT IMPACT OF GROWTH REQUEST DELAY

12:40 DEBATE ABOUT 3M TARGET AND NEW **GOVERNMENT** POLICY ANNOUCEMENT

TO "REQUIRE ALL PUBLIC SECTOR BODIES TO **EMPLOY APPRENTICES**"

13:00 END

HOST:

John Woodcock MP, shadow minister for young people (@JWoodcockMP)

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CHAIR:

Nick Linford, author of the Complete Guide to Funding Apprenticeships and former editor of FE Week (@nicklinford)

PANELISTS:

Richard Atkins, Principal of Exeter College and President of the Association of Colleges (@RichardAtkins2)

Angela Middleton, CEO of MiddletonMurray, delivering over 500 16-18 apprenticeships per year (@MiddletonMurray)

Stewart Segal, CEO of the Association of Employment and Learning Providers (@StewartSegal)

Paul Steer, Director of Policy and Strategy at OCR (@ocr_vocational)

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Providers which have over-delivered on their apprenticeships contracts face a long wait to find out if they will be paid

FE Week exclusive

Freddie Whittaker, 8 June, 2015

The Skills Funding Agency (SFA) has written to providers who were expecting to hear back about their quarter three growth requests last week to inform them the announcement will take place following the government's emergency budget on July 8.

Under SFA rules, providers can over-deliver on their contracts at their own risk, and apply three times a year for money to cover the extra training.

But the postponement of the announcement has led to concerns that apprenticeship funding, which the government has pledged to protect, could be affected by any savings announced on July 8, with even growth funding for 16 to 19 apprenticeships – seen as a priority growth area for the government – up in

Stewart Segal (pictured), chief executive of the Association of Employment and Learning Providers (AELP), said he was "disappointed" by the delay.

He said: "This is very late notice for providers that have responded positively to the government's priorities. The delay will cause problems for

prospective apprentices and employers who have made the commitment to the programme but will now not be funded.

"Training providers have to make commitments to employers before they get confirmation of contracts. They take calculated risks which are based on previous experience and short notice changes like this will cause major issues. Even if notification is given soon after the July 8 Budget, there will not be time to deliver the growth by the end of the year.

"This is the first time for many years where funding for 16 to 19 apprentices has been restricted."

He said the delay also came at a time "when many providers were planning to increase the numbers of Traineeships and many young people and employers will not be able to delay the start of their programmes".

He added: "We have also talked to the SFA about needing a very flexible approach to managing any extensions to contracts after

July 8 because many providers will not be able to deliver the growth they predicted because of the delay.

"This decision is a good example of the AELP view that constant changes to contracts with little or no notice are the major barrier to expanding the

apprenticeship programme. Attempts to engage more employers will be affected by these short-term decisions. If training providers were given a more secure contracting process, we would be able to engage more employers and deliver the growth we need."

It comes after the Treasury announced that £900m of in-year departmental savings would hit the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills and the Department for Education, with each department expected to save £450m as part of £3bn of overall cuts.

The SFA is yet to comment.

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> **Dawn Leak, Operations Director** Blue Apple Training Limited

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Comments made online below the article

Angela Middleton, CEO at MiddletonMurray

I think it's outrageous. We deliver 16-18 apprenticeships in SMEs and we do it the hard way ie engage with NEETS, put them through a pre-apprenticeship, find an SME employer, convince them to give the young person a chance, make the placement and then start the apprenticeship. We worked hard to get our grade 2 Ofsted in March and so at last were allowed to apply for traineeship to fund the preapprenticeship. We monitor tolerances. We stick to growth point deadlines.....and then we get this last minute block on progress. I'll be escalating it for sure.

Adrian Bouckley, Director of Training at Learning and **Skills Solutions**

So we need to grow Apprenticeships by more than a third over the life of this government in order to meet the 3m target and double Traineeships in 14/15. If you respond positively to the government priority growth areas you do expect one thing – growth! After a start like this who is going to take the government priority areas seriously? I don't believe the new task force have actually met yet but tracking progress against the targets without ring fenced and increased funding to those who are delivering in these areas can only lead to abject failure.

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Comments continued

Phil Hatton, Consultant at the Learning Improvement

June and July are absolutely key months for apprenticeship recruitment, particularly of what should be the main LEP target group of 16-18 year old apprentices. Schools will be telling their year 11s and their parents that employers want people with A levels or a dubious bunch of vocational qualifications delivered by school teachers in schools. Any hesitation in being able to offer an apprenticeship because of the lack of clarity of funding is unacceptable and needs both strong leadership and urgent action. Almost every week I meet young people who feel that they have wasted a year staying on in sixth form and leaving at the end of year 12, often still without their GCSE in maths or English.

Matt Garvey, Managing Director of the West Berkshire **Training Consortium**

The reality is that decisions on growth will not be relayed to providers in this contract year so we all now need to proceed on faith. Subcontractors will be the first casualties of this self-inflicted crisis as primes seek to withhold either new business opportunities or in-programme payments. I just can't understand why the growth decisions are being delayed given that we are talking about growth payments from an existing budget. The SFA I believe had already made the decision provider-by-provider so what is to be gained by making a delay? Is the government reserving the right to reduce the SFA budget in-year.

Peter Marples, Director and owner of Aspire **Achieve Advance**

Don't blame the agency for this. This is a simple reaction to a Chancellors decision which was not consulted upon. My message is to stay calm and it will all unfold positively over the next few days and weeks. For all of those who voted Tory, get writing to your local MP and say that Apprenticeship starts have been put on hold! (that will do the trick) but the Agency is simply responding to a dictat I suspect from BIS about making savings and where can they turn – the only thing they can save is through underspends not being re allocated. Keep Calm Mr Mannering!

Karen Redhead, Principal of Derwentside College

The delay will be very frustrating for many providers but as a sector we need to consider how we can present ourselves as part of the solution rather than part of the problem. Unfortunately wingeing does the latter. We are not currently held in the high regard that I believe is deserved. My organisation has been there with similar scenarios to the ones described above and it is indeed frustrating, particularly when we see first-hand the impact that delays such as this have on the life chances of young people. However, we are only weeks into a new government and one that could not have expected to be solely in power. Hopefully we can have some sensible and

constructive dialogue with funding agencies and government ministers to see how we can effectively take forward the priorities that have been identified (and some that are yet to be recognised such as the importance of non-apprenticeship programmes) and that we all feel passionately about.

Mike Gore, Director at Blue Apple Training

This has a major impact on Blue Apple Training, as a 3 year old business, this provides major concerns over cash flow, future planning and the potential threat of a very successful new business that has helped over 1000 people into employment have to make redundancies. Any help or advice will be gratefully received.

Graham Hoyle OBE, former CEO at AELP

Do we believe that apprenticeships and traineeships really are the high/top priority that government utterances, including those in the Queen's Speech indicate? This current funding agency caution certainly raises a doubt. If we believe that the political priority really is solid, we must retain confidence despite this funding agency caution, and continue with dynamic growth plans despite the apparent business risk. Officials and Ministers must realise however that such statements will always have a significant debilitating and de-stabilising impact on their critical supply chain. Chance of course to push both top officials and Ministers at the AELP Conference 22/23 June. I am not close to the action these days of course, but remain optimistic for now. Hold off the brake pedal for a couple of weeks. Or as Peter Marples advises, "keep calm" (for a little while longer).

Chris Baker

I had a call yesterday afternoon from the SFA. They informed me that our Growth request for 19-24 Traineeships has now been put on hold until after the Chancellors budget on 08 July 2015. Unfortunately this now leaves us in a position that we will have to suspend any further intake for traineeships as we cannot afford to take the risk of delivering a programme that may not be funded. We have over the last few months spent time with dozens of employers developing work opportunities for employment and apprenticeship outcomes.

We have also spent a vast amount of time screening and inducting JCP candidates for these positions. I have had to informed JCP and the Traineeship candidates, that these opportunities have been suspended until a funding decision is made. I have already spoken to two employers this morning, who have now withdrawn work placement opportunities for Traineeship candidates, as they need immediate starts to fill potential apprenticeship vacancies before the end of this calendar year. I think you will all agree, its a sad day for the hopes and expectations of NEET youngsters across the country.



NICK LINFORD

Lsect director, author of the Complete guide to funding apprenitceships and and former FE Week editor

Making sense of apprenticeship numbers and the 3m target

The target has been set and the election won now the government must set about achieving 3m apprenticeships. But what exactly is being aimed at and is it even the right target, asks Nick Linford.

s the dust settles on a general election result few predicted, the FE and skills sector will be considering the predicted, the FE and online implications of a Conservative government.

Above all else, the manifesto commitment to fund 3m apprenticeship starts over the next five years now takes centre stage. In fact, even outside of our sector, it is arguably the government's top priority given the newly-elected Prime Minister listed it first in his maiden speech.

So before waking up to the reality and potential hangover of the task ahead, let us start with a raised glass and sector backslap. The government wants to invest further in our sector and in their own words; apprenticeships support young people to acquire the skills they need.

With the self-congratulation out of the way it is time to consider if the 3m starts is the right target and how it might be achieved.

The Conservatives have chosen to use apprenticeship starts as their target, which is a figure published in official Statistical First Releases. This means within the FE sector it is already well understood and credible as a measure. However, how many listening to the Prime Minister would realise this 3m is neither the number of people, nor does it mean they passed the apprenticeship?

Firstly, many of the 3m starting an advanced apprenticeship are being counted for the second time, having already achieved an intermediate apprenticeship.

In fact, apprentices joining the accountancy profession often enters at level two and progresses to level three and then continues on to level four. They would be counted three times towards the 3m target.

Hard as it may be to believe, the number of individuals participating in apprenticeships has never been published, and efforts by FE Week to find out the number through a freedom of information request have been rebuffed.

Surely it would be better to count people benefiting — let's call them 'apprenticeship entrants' — to avoid this double or triple counting. This would also save me shouting "wrong!" every time a politician refers to the number of 'people' doing an apprenticeship.

The second issue with the target is that it only counts how many apprentices started, which simply means they were

on the course for 42 or more days. Last year, a third of all apprenticeship leavers failed to successfully complete the

This means we would be counting 1m failed apprenticeships towards the 3m target. How many politicians realise this and would it not be better to be chasing a target that only counts those apprentices who actually graduate?

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To achieve 3m starts in five years will require an average of 600,000 starts every year, with an emphasis on supporting the 'young', if the Conservative manifesto is to be believed. This is a huge challenge, given last year apprenticeship starts fell 14 per cent to 440,400, of which just 278,900 were aged under 24.

The returning Skills Minister, Nick Boles, is therefore faced with an immediate dilemma. Cop out, and chase growth the easy and cheap way by encouraging more adult apprentice starts, many of whom will be large employers with existing employees. Or stick to the commitment to support the young and incentivise or force more large and small employers to recruit 16 to 23-year-old apprentices?

It is also worth keeping an eye on the development of Degree Apprenticeships, which featured in the Conservative manifesto. For example, might a quick win be to simply rebadge nursing degrees as apprenticeships?

Then there are higher level apprenticeships, but should we be spending public money subsidising level six professional training at law firms and banks? More clues are due soon, with an Apprenticeship Bill to be announced in the Queen's

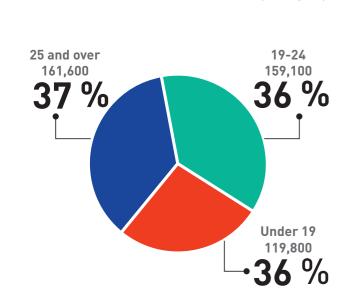
Before Nick Boles and the Skills Funding Agency panic and take the cop out route to 3m starts, we need to quickly debate whether 'starts' represent the best target to chase and how to ensure many more young people participate. The government can't create apprenticeships; only employers can do that, so they need to do their bit too.

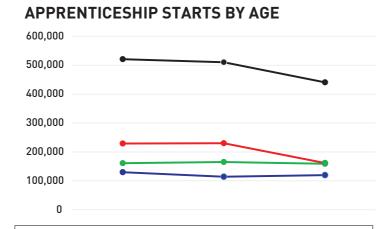


NUMBER CRUNCHING

ALL AGE APPRENTICESHIPS

APPRENTICESHIP STARTS BY AGE (2013/14)





| Year | 2011/12 | 2012/13 | 2013/14 | Shift since 12/13 |
|----------|---------|---------|---------|-------------------|
| Under 19 | 129,900 | 114,500 | 119,800 | 5% |
| 19-24 | 161,400 | 165,400 | 159,100 | -4% |
| 25+ | 229,300 | 230,300 | 161,600 | -30% |
| Total | 520,600 | 510,200 | 440,400 | -14% |

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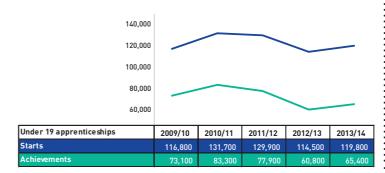
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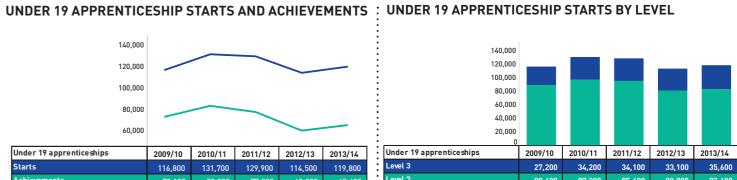
| REGISTRATIONS ON THE VACANCY MATCHING SERVICE | | | | | | |
|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| YEAR | 2008/09 | 2009/10 | 2010/11 | 2011/12 | 2012/13 | 2013/14 |
| UNDER 19 | 43,560 | 164,930 | 260,040 | 258,580 | 280,720 | 248,860 |
| | 47% | 56% | 54% | 50% | 49% | 42% |
| 19 AND OVER | 49,600 | 127,650 | 218,150 | 256,050 | 288,290 | 345,800 |
| TOTAL | 93,160 | 292,580 | 478,190 | 514,630 | 569,010 | 594,660 |

| | 2008/09 | 2009/10 | 2010/11 | 2011/12 | 2012/13 | 2013/14 |
|-------------|---------|---------|---------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| UNDER 19 | 29,430 | 178,260 | 453,600 | 677,610 | 883,810 | 1,020,820 |
| | 58% | 66% | 65% | 64% | 63% | 56% |
| 19 AND OVER | 21,140 | 90,130 | 240,060 | 385,500 | 520,170 | 790,800 |
| TOTAL | 50,570 | 268,390 | 693,660 | 1,063,110 | 1,403,980 | 1,811,620 |

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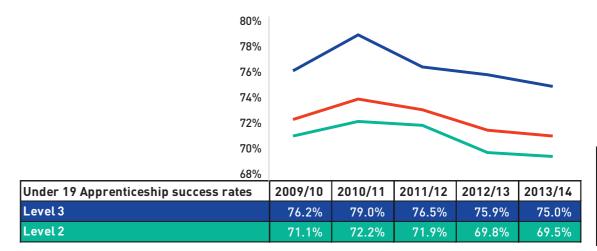




| UNDER 19 APPRENTICESHIP STARTS BY REGION IN 2013/14 | | | | |
|---|---------|-----|--|--|
| North East | 7,950 | 7% | | |
| North West | 19,710 | 16% | | |
| Yorkshire and The Humber | 15,290 | 13% | | |
| East Midlands | 11,830 | 10% | | |
| West Midlands | 13,780 | 12% | | |
| East of England | 11,520 | 10% | | |
| London | 9,510 | 8% | | |
| South East | 15,850 | 13% | | |
| South West | 12,730 | 11% | | |
| Other | 1,600 | 1% | | |
| GRAND TOTAL | 119,800 | | | |

| TOP 10 UNDER 19 FRAMEWORK SECTOR STARTS IN 2013/14 | | | | |
|--|--------|--|--|--|
| Business Administration | 17,390 | | | |
| Hairdressing | 10,200 | | | |
| Construction Skills | 9,140 | | | |
| Children's Care Learning and Development | 9,040 | | | |
| Engineering | 7,030 | | | |
| Hospitality and Catering | 6,850 | | | |
| Customer Service | 5,930 | | | |
| Vehicle Maintenance and Repair | 5,340 | | | |
| Health and Social Care | 4,430 | | | |
| IT and Telecoms Professionals | 4,310 | | | |
| Children's Care Learning and Development | 4,680 | | | |

UNDER 19 APPRENTICESHIP SUCCESS RATE



Figures compiled from the BIS **Statistical First Release by Nick** Linford, 12/06/15

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AVERAGE APPLICATIONS PER VACANCY



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