

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR CHILDREN AND EDUCATION  
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QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2024  
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2024**

**Question**

“Regarding apprenticeships will the Minister detail –

- (a) the number of individuals undertaking apprenticeships this academic year;
- (b) the cost per academic year of offering the following apprenticeships;
  - (i) Bricklaying;
  - (ii) Childcare;
  - (iii) Electrical;
  - (iv) Health and Social Care;
  - (v) Motor Vehicle; and
  - (vi) Plumbing;
- (c) the average cost per academic year of offering all types of apprenticeships;
- (a) the 2023/2024 revenue expenditure budget available through the Tracker programme to support individuals and businesses with apprenticeships; and
- (b) the 2023/2024 revenue expenditure budget that would be required to provide individuals with 100% apprenticeship funding?”

**Answer**

- (a) the number of individuals undertaking apprenticeships this academic year;

Apprentices – 408

Higher Apprentices – 32

- (b) the cost per academic year of offering the following apprenticeships.

- (i) Bricklaying - £4,900 per learner (based upon 252 learning hours)

- (ii) Childcare (early years level 3) - £3,400 per learner (based upon 160 learning hours)

- (iii) Electrical - £5,600 per learner (based upon 252 learning hours)

- (iv) Health and Social Care - cost is not known as CYPES is not the provider for this training

- (v) Motor Vehicle - £5,300 per learner (based upon 252 learning hours)

- (vi) Plumbing - £5,200 per learner (based upon 252 learning hours)

- (c) the average cost per academic year of offering all types of apprenticeships

£5,400 per learner (based upon 252 learning hours)

- (d) the 2023/2024 revenue expenditure budget available through the Trackers programme to support individuals and businesses with apprenticeships

£650,000

- (e) the 2023/2024 revenue expenditure budget that would be required to provide individuals with 100% apprenticeship funding

Based upon the predicted number of apprentices and the current mean average course cost if the funding was considered as a separate funding stream, the total budget required to fully fund all courses is £2,200,000.

Currently the funding is a combination of core funding provision for Highlands, funding from the Trackers provision and some costs to employers where appropriate. A wider consideration of how these funding streams blend is an ongoing project.

- (a, b, c & e) This relates to students studying at Highlands College only.
- (a, b, c & e) The above figures do not include staffing or resources outside of Highlands College e.g., related to SKILLS Jersey or the Trackers Mentors.