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House of Commons
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Dear Mr Coyle

Re: Parliamentary questions 5804 and 5805 on the publication of construction standards

The Department for Education has requested that I respond to you directly on behalf of the Institute for Apprenticeships regarding your Parliamentary Questions 5804 and 5805.

You requested information about when the level 6 Building Services Design Engineering and level 6 Civil Engineering Design Engineering apprenticeship standards will be published.

The core apprenticeship standard for a level 6 Building Services Design Engineer has been approved and will be published shortly. There are still some final elements to conclude, however, as the assessment plan which sets out how the standard will be assessed has been approved subject to conditions. There is currently no standard being developed for a Civil Engineering Design Engineer, however a level 6 Civil Engineer standard is being developed. This standard has been approved and will be published shortly and the assessment plan has been submitted for approval.

You also requested information about when standards for construction at levels 4 and 6 will be published.

There are 19 construction standards at levels 4 and 6 which cover a broad range of occupations from Construction Site Management to Senior Housing/Property Manager and Architect. All of the standards are published with the exception of those detailed above and the following:

- Architect and Architectural Assistant – both standards are still in development and we are working with the employer group to do this, with submission for approval planned by September 2017.

- Geospatial Mapping and Science Specialist - the standard has been approved subject to conditions and the employer group is currently working on addressing the feedback provided.

Details on the 19 standards can be found at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/apprenticeship-standards-list-of-occupations-available>

I hope you find this information helpful.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peter Lauener', with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke at the end.

Peter Lauener
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