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Dear Ms Ellman

Re: Parliamentary Question 113589 on the Building Services Engineering Technician

The Department for Education has asked me to respond to you directly on behalf of the Institute for Apprenticeships regarding your Parliamentary Question 113589 in which you enquire about the Building Services Engineering Technician apprenticeship.

For an apprenticeship to be approved for delivery, the standard, assessment plan and funding band all need to be approved. As you will be aware, the Building Services Engineering Technician standard was published in March 2016 and can be found at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/apprenticeship-standard-building-services-engineering-technician#history>.

However, the assessment plan and funding band still need to be approved. To ensure that the Building Services Engineering Technician end-point assessment is in a strong position to be approved by the industry-led Route Panel, the Institute is working closely with the trailblazer group, who have indicated they hope to resubmit the plan for approval shortly. The chair of the Building Services Engineering Technician trailblazer group is tony.ellender@balfourbeatty.com.

Subject to the submission of the assessment plan and information relating to funding, the Institute will commence the process for making a recommendation on the funding band to the Department for Education. We will share this recommendation with the trailblazer group. The Secretary of State for Education will then take the final decision.

Yours sincerely



Sir Gerry Berragan
Chief Executive Officer
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