

APPENDIX 6

SUB-CONTRACT AS A TRAINING PROVIDER

Background

Training provider has responsibility for the delivery, management and quality of the apprenticeship delivery. To achieve this they take in the region of 20% of the funding.

Benefits

- They manage the risk, although OFSTED may still wish to inspect the employer.
- They have expertise in non-operational roles such as Business Administration, I.T., Finance, Procurement and Facilities Management, which MFRA would not have the capacity to undertake.

Risks

- There is a need to undertake a Procurement exercise to secure a training provider. Training Providers may not be interested in this arrangement as it attracts limited financial gain.
- It reduces the flexibility of the programme.