

**Providing Council with Written Responses to Questions at Council  
28 April 2016**

1.	<p><b>Councillor P M Meara</b> How many of these Trade Employees had previously been under the care of the Authority.</p> <p><b>Response of the Cabinet Member for Next Generation Services</b> Historically the service would not have asked this question of potential candidates either for trade roles or for its apprentice scheme and as such total numbers in the overall workforce would not be available. However we are aware that two of its recent recruits, one in each of the last two years were offered apprentice positions whilst under the care of the Authority. The service has also been working closely with colleagues in Social Services to maximise the viability of these opportunities and provide support to potential candidates who are in the care of the local Authority. In addition the emerging new corporate apprentice and training scheme will further look to create additional opportunities for all young people, but also to have a particular focus on its looked after children and other young people in line with its corporate parenting role and corporate priority of tackling poverty across the City and County of Swansea.</p>
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