

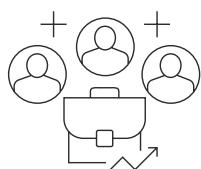
Level 6 Improvement Leader

Equip people to lead complex change and continuous improvement



With Level 7 funding changing, the CMI Level 6 Improvement Leader apprenticeship offers a credible alternative for developing senior leaders. It builds the same high-level strategic and commercial capabilities as the Senior Leader Apprenticeship, preparing experienced managers to lead complex transformation and deliver measurable organisational impact. Backed by CMI's rigorous EPA and pathways to Chartered, it provides the credibility employers expect.

Why offer the Level 6 Improvement Leader?



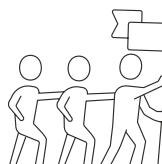
Strengthen your portfolio

Attract ambitious leaders and corporate clients with an alternative senior-level apprenticeship.



Leverage CMI credibility

Prestigious CMI partnership adds extra credibility, helping you stand out.



Drive employer appeal

Deliver certified senior leaders equipped to drive large-scale organisational transformation.

97%

of partners agree that CMI resources support their apprentices in their learning goals.

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Employers respect CMI's involvement, giving an additional level of quality assurance that their employees will receive a rigorous and industry-relevant End-Point Assessment. We truly couldn't have chosen any other EPAO than CMI to assess our apprenticeships.

Rachael Johnstone
Dean of Professional Education and Partnerships, University of Exeter

Partner with CMI as your End-Point Assessment Organisation (EPAO)



Pathways to Chartered

Only CMI can award Foundation Chartered Manager (fCMgr) or Chartered Manager (CMgr) post-completion, depending on experience.



CMI Study Support Package

Thousands of tailored resources to consolidate assignments, career advice and expert insights to support apprentices throughout their programme.*



Career progression

Ongoing professional development through CMI, supports lifelong learning beyond the programme.

*CMI's Study Support Package is an additional bolt-on option to the standard EPA offering.

Smooth, straightforward process

Our expert team guides you every step of the way, keeping you up-to-date with the latest apprenticeship processes and evolving landscape.

Unrivalled achievement and support

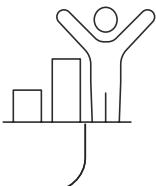
85%

of CMI apprentices achieved a Distinction grade.



90%

of partners are satisfied with the achievement rate with CMI.



Be employers' first choice

81%

of partners say CMI has a strong reputation with employers.



73%

of partners say employers are more likely to choose them due to their CMI partnership.



EPA with Support Package

Level 6	Improvement Leader
Level 5	Operations/Departmental Manager
Level 4	Associate Project Manager
Level 4	Junior Management Consultant
Level 3	Team Leader/Supervisor
Level 3	Business Administrator

Additional Support Package

(Available in 2026)

Level 6
Leadership & Management Professional
(Replaces L6 Chartered Manager Degree Apprenticeship)

The CMI advantage

- Market-leading EPAO, completing over 12,000 EPA activities in 2024/25
- Over 75 years of experience at the forefront of business leadership
- Ofqual-regulated awarding body with an exclusive Royal Charter
- Underpinned by CMI's Professional Standard framework, mapping skills to status

Source: CMI Research 2024



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