**For Apprentices** 

# Management apprenticeships advocacy toolkit

Making the case for the #ApprenticeManager

https://www.managers.org.uk/



### What is CMI asking for?

- CMI is undertaking a parliamentary campaign to make UK
  Policymakers aware of the value of management apprentices.
- → Key to ensuring we present an authentic message is amplifying the voices of those who know best our apprentices!
- → So in 2020, we're asking as many of our apprentices as possible to write to their MP and tell them about their experience.

## Why contact my local MP?

- To make them aware of the positive impact your management apprenticeship has had on you as an individual, on your employer and/ or on your local community.
- 2. To support the continuation of management apprentices so that others might benefit- particularly at degree-level by helping CMI to showcase the impact.
- 3. To build support from your MP on a common agenda improved prospects for you and your local region.

#### Who is my local MP?

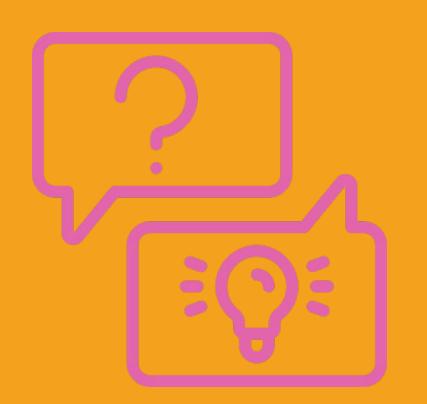
- → You can find out who your local MP is by going to <u>https://members.parliament.uk/</u> and searching by name, postcode or location
- → You'll be able to see all sorts of information including about your MP's parliamentary career, their voting record and other issues that they're interested in.

#### What shall I say to them?

- When searching for your MP through <u>https://members.parliament.uk/</u> you will also be able to find their Parliamentary and Constituency contact details
- → We have provided some suggested text that you can use through our <u>email/ letter template</u> but you're most likely to engage your MP if you tailor your correspondence and talk about your personal experience of your management apprenticeship.
- → You can invite them to visit your organisation or training provider, for example.
- Don't be afraid to follow up with a phone call if you don't get a response!

# **How do I make sure I'm saying** the right things?

- Most MPs have their own website. We suggest you visit this to get a flavour of their interests.
- → You can also use <u>https://members.parliament.uk/</u> or <u>https://www.theyworkforyou.com/</u> to see an MP's voting record and interests.
- ➔ Look out for any local or national newspaper columns or coverage involving the MP and use that as an opportunity to contact them.
- → Look at their Twitter page or simply Google them.



#### Keep in touch!

Let us know if you're contacting your MP

Ask us for support or advice:

policy@managers.org.uk

Share your activity with us on social:

#### **LinkedIn**

Twitter (@cmi\_managers) - use the hashtag #ApprenticeManager

**Instagram**