Illustrative examples of potential use of funds and plans to collaborate, between institutions

Example 1 – Studio School

All students on full time Level 2/3 vocational programmes  6
Funding - as students are <10 funding is  £2,500
Minimum number of placements in first year is  1
Number of placements required per year from 2023 is¹  3
Requirement is to opt in by completing the light touch on-line survey

Possible model – either opt out or pool the funds by collaborating with other schools, local college, local provider or Chamber of Commerce etc. If opting in they might want to provide a placement for all year 13 students (probably 3 students). If so they have sufficient funds to do so. If opting out they will not receive any funds. They could consider their position and opt in for year 2.

Example 2 – Small Academy

All students on full time Level 2/3 vocational programmes  16
Funding - as students are between 11 and 20 funding is  £5,000
Minimum number of placements in first year is  2
Number of placements required per year from 2023 is  8
Requirement is to opt in by completing the light touch on-line survey

Possible model – either opt out or pool the funds by collaborating with other schools, local college, local provider or Chamber of Commerce etc. If opting in they might want to provide a placement for all year 13 students (probably 7). If so they have sufficient funds to do so. If opting out they will not receive any funds. They could consider their position and opt in for year 2.

Example 3 – Small UTC

All students on full time Level 2/3 vocational programmes  41
Funding - 41 students @ £250 funding is  £10,250
Minimum number of placements in first year is  4
Number of placements required per year from 2023 is  20 or 21
Requirement is to opt in by completing the light touch on-line survey

¹ Assumes all current vocational students are required to do work placements, which is yet to be determined.

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Possible model – they could extend responsibilities of vocational staff to cover arranging placements, hire a part time coordinator and/or utilise employer sponsorship arrangements to provide the placements or they could pool the funds by collaborating with other schools, local college, local provider or Chamber of Commerce etc. They might want to provide a placement for all year 13 students in a particular occupational area and expand from there.

Example 4 – Large UTC

All students on full time Level 2/3 vocational programmes 280
Funding - 280 students @ £250 funding is £70,000
Minimum number of placements in first year is 28
Number of placements required per year from 2023 is 140
Requirement is to opt in by completing a full implementation plan

Possible model – hire at least one work placement coordinator and could also extend the responsibilities of vocational staff. They would also utilise employer sponsorship arrangements to provide the placements. In addition, they could lead a collaboration to pull in other smaller institutions.

Example 5 – Large FE college with medium-sized student cohort

All students on full time Level 2/3 vocational programmes 1,033
Funding - 1033 students @ £250 funding is £258,250
Minimum number of placements in first year is 103
Number of placements required per year from 2023 is 516
Requirement is to opt in by completing a full implementation plan

Possible model – hire a number of work placement coordinators covering their biggest occupational areas. They might want to concentrate their efforts on specific sectors at first spreading the scope each year. To build up to over 500 placements a year will require significant strategic and local marketing effort. Most of the resource will go into developing these relationships in the first year. In addition, they could lead a collaboration to pull in other smaller institutions.

Example 6 – Large FE college based on multiple sites

All students on full time Level 2/3 vocational programmes 2,944
Funding - 2944 students @ £250 funding is £736,000
Minimum number of placements in first year is 294
Number of placements required per year from 2023 is 1,472
Requirement is to opt in by completing a full implementation plan

Possible model – They are most likely to hire a number of geographical teams of work placement coordinators covering their biggest geographical and occupational areas. They would probably concentrate their efforts on specific sectors at first spreading the scope each year. To build up to nearly 1,500 placements a year will require significant strategic and local marketing effort. Most of the resource will go into developing these relationships in the first year. In addition, they could lead a number of local or national collaborations to pull in other smaller institutions.