

APPRENTICESHIP CASE STUDY



Lee
Caygill

Motor Vehicle Mechanic

Lee attended Branksome School, Darlington, and always had a passion for cars, including how they work, faults that can develop and how to diagnose and rectify the faults. After completing his GCSEs he was offered a work trial with Stablers Garage, which was successful and he was offered the opportunity to start a Maintenance and Repair Level 2 Apprenticeship.

Lee started his Maintenance and Repair Level 2 Apprenticeship with Learning & Skills Darlington in September 2013, completing on target in May 2015. Lee wished to progress his career and signed up to the Maintenance and Repair Level 3 Advanced Apprenticeship in July 2015 with Learning & Skills. Lee was a model student throughout his apprenticeship training and completed his Level 3 apprenticeship Lee with exam grades of 4 Distinctions and 1 pass. Lee completed this apprenticeship in February 2017 and later became a MOT tester.

English, maths and ICT are embedded into both levels of apprenticeship training sessions to ensure these skills were further developed in the class and working environment. Lee had successfully gained GCSE grades C+ in English and maths he was not required to sit these exams. As he achieved a GCSE D grade in ICT, he was required to work towards Functional Skills ICT Level 2, which he passed with Learning & Skills during his Level 3 Apprenticeship 2016.

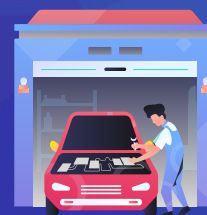
Lee took the decision early 2021 to embark on a new adventure and open his own garage, LC Automotive, in the Cockerton area of Darlington. Lee has expressed an interest in passing on his knowledge and expertise to the next generation of motor vehicle technicians. Lee has already identified a potential apprentice, who is still at school but leaves this academic year and will start their apprenticeship with Learning & Skills in August 2023.



Level 2



Level 3



Garage Owner (with Apprentice)



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