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## WHAT MADE YOU APPLY FOR AN APPRENTICESHIP?

The opportunity to learn a trade with onsite experience, while being able to gain a qualification at the end of it.

## WHY DID YOU APPLY TO NG BAILEY?

After researching the role and business, I was interested in the specialist work Freedom undertook, delivering essential and important services.

## WHAT WOULD YOUR TOP TIP BE FOR ANYONE APPLYING FOR AN APPRENTICESHIP ROLE?

Do everything you are told to do to the best of your ability, because it can definitely help you to progress in your role and career.

## WHAT ARE THE ADVANTAGES OF BEING AN APPRENTICE?

You get to learn from a fully qualified person who can teach you how to do everything practically on a live site but also get the time to study in college, where you can perfect your skills and learn the theory away from the operational side of things.

Another advantage is that you are effectively getting paid to learn.

## WHAT HAS BEEN THE BIGGEST CHALLENGE IN YOUR APPRENTICESHIP?

Adapting to the new environments and routines that come with my role.

## WHAT PART OF THE ROLE GIVES YOU THE MOST PERSONAL SATISFACTION?

I would say when you finally finish a task that you found difficult or were having trouble with.

## WHAT DOES A TYPICAL DAY LOOK LIKE?

Typically I am on site for 7am, where I sign in, read over the relevant risk assessment and receive a debrief of the tasks I am going to be carrying out that day. Throughout the day I will assist the tradesman with the activities he is carrying out while he explains to me what and how he is doing it. He will then often give me tasks to complete myself or with others on site.

## WHAT ARE YOU MOST LOOKING FORWARD TO IN YOUR APPRENTICESHIP?

Progressing through my apprenticeship and being given tasks that I can complete myself.

## WHAT IS YOUR GREATEST ACHIEVEMENT AS PART OF THE APPRENTICESHIP?

I get a great sense of achievement from the activities I undertake on site. Following instruction, I recently installed twenty-four, two-volt batteries and connected them up correctly by following the drawings then glanding six multicore cables and refitting the gland plates.