Dear Darrin,

The Institute of Master Chefs was formed in 1980 with branches in America, Holland and Great Britain. The British section of this organisation became The Master Chefs of Great Britain in 1982 with the aim of providing a forum for the exchange of culinary ideas and to further the profession through training and guidance to young chefs.

We would like to provide our support to City & Guilds, as a Professional Association for the hospitality industry, we feel that the following qualification is suitable for a young person between the ages of 16-19 studying full time and will give that young person an advantage when going on to applying for a job or progressing onto further education. We value our partnership and links with City & Guilds and feel that as we are a professional body and industry, we also support the reference to professional within the title, we want to make sure the industry know that when learners achieve this qualification and present it to prospective employers they will be aware this has been achieved in a professional production kitchen similar to those in industry rather than a general domestic kitchen environment.

- City & Guilds Level 3 Advanced Technical Diploma for Professional Chefs (Kitchen & Larder) (450)

We believe this qualification is suitable for someone wanting to work as a chef in one of the following establishments:

- Restaurants
  - Regional
  - Michelin *
  - High Street
- Hotels
  - Large chains
  - Rural
  - Boutique
- Café’s

As a fully qualified chef, the industry will require that all the necessary level 3 skills are covered. This qualification allows the learner to gain the skills and knowledge, which we consider important to a role of this type in our industry. A learner would be expected to achieve all the following topics:
Topics:

- The principles of food safety supervision for catering
- Supervisory skills in the professional kitchen
- Sustainability for the professional kitchen
- Exploring gastronomy
- Advanced skills and techniques in producing vegetable and vegetarian dishes
- Advanced skills and techniques in producing meat and offal dishes
- Advanced skills and techniques in producing poultry and game dishes
- Advanced skills and techniques in producing fish and shellfish dishes

We feel that once the learner has gained this qualification which covers a sound understanding and key practical skills for the hospitality industry they could take a position in one of the following establishments in the role identified.

Learners achieving this qualification are likely to be in an unsupervised role, giving them more responsibility, within their environment as identified in the table below.

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We feel learners undertaking this route would then be more likely to continue their learning on-the-job and then consider undertaking the more specialist qualification for pastry chefs.

- City & Guilds Level 3 Advanced Technical Diploma for Professional Chefs (Patisserie & Confectionery)
- City & Guilds Level 3 Diploma in General Patisserie & Confectionery

We confirm that we consent to our company name (and logo) being made publicly available on the DfE and City & Guilds websites.

Yours sincerely

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