4.14 These competences should be underpinned by a focused research capability, for example to enable the Institute to research the impact of new developments, or best practice in work-based learning, both nationally and internationally. This capability might be enhanced through a partnership with a leading established University. Such a partnership would also help the Institute recruit and develop a high quality workforce.

4.15 NHSU has selected Warwick University to be its principal academic partner and is developing plans to relocate to the Warwick campus. Our recommendations on the way forward mean that the detail of these must be revisited. However, there would be value in exploring the scope for reshaping the partnership with Warwick in a way which meets the needs of the Institute.