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Appendix 4 – North Yorkshire Personalised Learning Pathways



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Personalised Learning Pathways

Information for young people and their families

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What is a personalised learning pathway?

A personalised learning pathway is a person-centred programme which supports the young person to develop and progress, based on a clear understanding of how each person learns best; strategies that will help them achieve their goals; and the support they require within the learning environment.



Criteria for placement on a personalised learning pathway

The local authority will support a young person to access a personalised learning pathway when:

- There is no local provision that is adequate in quality and sufficient in quantity that can meet the learner's educational or training needs.
- The assessment of the learner's education or training needs, via a section 139A assessment, demonstrates that an essential element can only be provided by specialist provision.



How will a personalised learning pathway be developed?

A range of partners will meet to discuss the identified needs, future goals and aspirations based on the information which the young person, their family and their Specialist Careers Advisor have provided. These partners will include:

- **Local Education Providers**
- **Health and Adult Services**
- **Specialist Careers Advisors**
- **Children and Young People Service**
- **Employment Providers**
- **Special Schools**

These partners will develop a personalised learning pathway which will focus on the skills the young person needs to develop in order to meet their future goals and aspirations. The pathway will be discussed and agreed with the young person and their family.



How will the young person be supported to access their personalised learning pathway?

The young person will be supported by staff from the local hub. Hubs are key to co-ordinating and supporting all young people accessing a personalised learning pathway.

The hub is the young person's space and it can be used for learning, training, socialising and meetings.

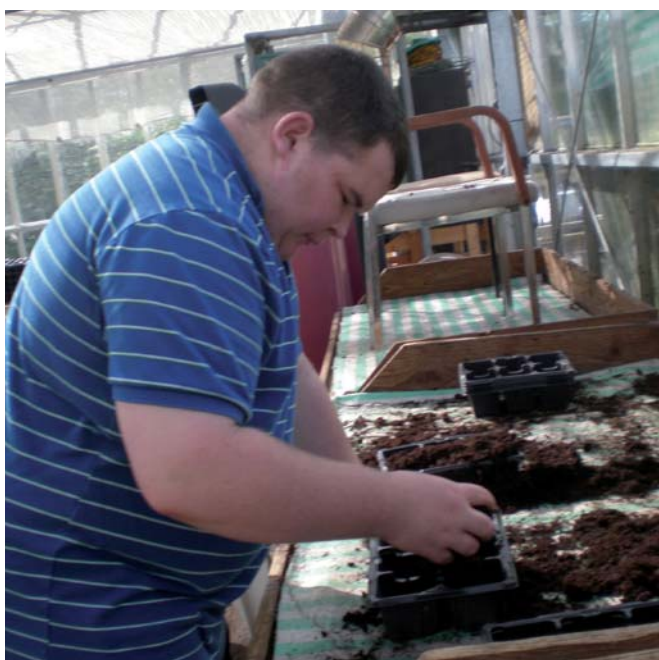
Each hub has a co-ordinator and they will support the young person's transition from school into their personalised pathway. They will get to know the young person and be the key contact who will support each young person to



ensure that they are progressing in their learning and being supported to achieve their goals.

The hub provides the central point of contact for the young person, their family and other professionals. Reviews of each young person's pathway will be co-ordinated through the hub. The co-ordinator will act very much as the young person's advocate and they will seek, listen to and act upon their views throughout the pathway.

When the personalised programme finishes they will support the young person's transition from their pathway to their chosen destination.



Pathways

Personalised learning will focus on three particular pathways which will support young people to progress. These are:

- independent living;
- employment; and
- personal progress.

Learning opportunities will be designed around the individual, offering a curriculum which could include:

- personal development;
- independence skills;
- communication and self advocacy;
- travel training;
- accessing the community;
- working with others; and
- preparation for employment.



“Everything’s working well because it’s all grown up stuff and the food is ace at college!”

(Learner’s comment)



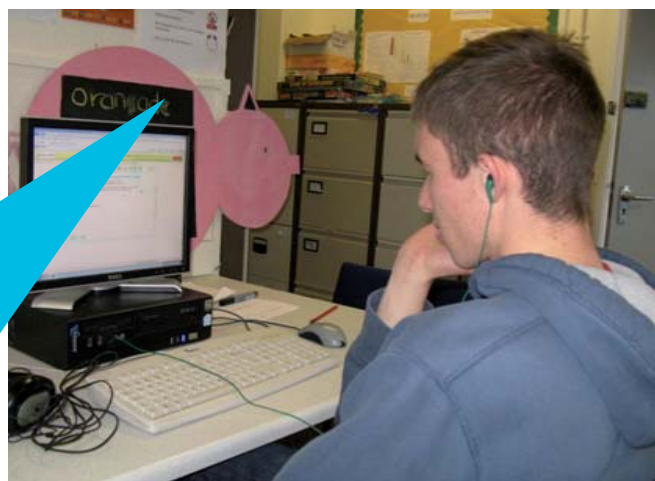
How will you know if the pathway is working?

A personalised learning pathway will be leading towards a final goal or destination which has been agreed with the young person.

The young person's progress towards this final goal will be evaluated three times a year at review meetings held at the hub.

At these meetings any changes to a young person's programme will be discussed and planned. The programme will ensure that the young person's educational needs and aspirations are being catered for.

"I enjoy 'out and about' its lots of fun."
(Learner's comment)



"What's happening now is the way ahead."
(Parent's comment)



Requesting a personalised learning pathway

The young person's Specialist Careers Advisor will submit an application to the local authority's specialist provision assessment panel. The panel will assess if the young person meets the criteria for a personalised learning pathway as stated on page 3.

"This is the way provision should be developed with people learning what's here locally."

(Parent's comment)



Contact us

You can contact the Specialist Careers Advisor through your son or daughter's school.

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