

PCC/DWP Support for Care Experience Young People

In order to support our care experienced young people a new framework has been developed . This has been actioned since the withdrawal of the DWP from the Portsmouth Youth Hub

- All care experienced young people who are due to turn 18 years old will be identified and offered an appointment at the job centre before their birthday with their PA to gain an understanding of Universal Credit expectations, ID requirements and any support needs.
- All care experienced young people will have a career interview.
- An employability academy will be offered to young people for a minimum of 6 weeks, with the opportunity of work experience at the end of the academy. Care experienced young people will then return to their job coach equipped with employability skills. The Academy will be launched in September 23
- The 6-week employability academy will consist of: CV writing, Job application skills, Windmills workshop, VR, interview skills, goal planning and work experience.
- Michael Porter (DWP) to work at the Portsmouth Careers & Employability Youth Hub at least once per month to support Employability academy and see Care Leavers who would struggle to attend the main job centre.

Process:

Gather list of those turning 18 and invite young person with PA to attend information session.

Once per month Ann-Marie O'Brien (PCC) to attend the Job centre and work with Michael Porter (DWP) to give Career interviews to all Care leavers in attendance. Michael will only see care experienced young people on this day: Responsibility: Ann-Marie O'Brien (PCC) & Michael Porter DWP By August

Employability programme: Responsibility: PA, Careers team, Michael Porter by September

Adapt referral form to ensure appropriate for PA's to complete- Ann-Marie By July 2023

Continue to work in partnership with Job centre staff PAs and Ann-Marie O'Brien/ Careers & Progression Team staff to ensure collaborative working and best support for our care experienced young people. Ann-Marie, Michael, PA'S, Careers & Progression Team.