

**Bath 16 – 25 Provider Forum Meeting
Monday 12th December 2016
12.30 – 2pm**

Attendance

James Threlfall	Andrew Smith
Jordan Wickens	Becks Toan
Caryl Thomas	Kate Starks
Tracey Pike	Darren Lucas (Inner Flame)
Rob Swindells (Inner Flame)	Gail McKay (Inner Flame)
Rob Myers (Inner Flame)	Sue Waugh
Charlotte Davies	Clare Birch
Cheryl Sharp	Calvin McCormack

Introductions / Updates

GMcK from IF introduced the session and welcomed new members. Introductions were made around the table and this was followed by a topical discussion.

Topic for the Session:

Issues arising for young people listed at last meeting

Rob Swindells said that a common trend at end of course was that many wanting to get employment were being stopped by parents for many reasons such as rent/help with food/retaining benefits.

Tracey Pike advised that PIP, which is replacing ESA, has strict rules on how to get it.

Calvin McCormack suggested having a chat with parents showing them calculations on how much they could earn compared to benefit and get their buy in to support their children.

Claire Birch said that some were encouraged to claim carers allowance which restricted their ability to gain employment.

Tracey Pike – Young Carers Group – could be raised here if we send a team, could have more input for this EHC plan how to make sure everybody aware.

Project Search

DWP

TP

Inclusion Team – Preparing for adulthood (Carol MacDonald & Julie Knight)

Sirona

Wellness Service

Volunteer Hub provide progression of skills

Employment Support Service (may be other elements)
Virgin Care (Starts from April)

Kate Starks

- Lack of input from parents
- Project Search – Splitting Tasks into generic roles
- Assistive Technology

Tracey Pike

- Sure Programme – Avril Menders

Kate Starks

- YouTube Video – School in Survey, Showing work placements

Calm “Campaign Against Living Miserably”

James Threlfall

Ambassador for Calm (helpline, websites, etc.)

- Push awareness of male suicides
- 76% of suicides male
- Biggest killer of under 45
- Man dictionary, beer mats relating to words are distributed in pubs/clubs
- Not only aimed at men

Tracey Pike

- Locally 14 a year (BANES)
- South West Safeguarding Site ‘Time to Talk’
- Access Learning Council called FAST, self-harm first aid training ‘Council Learning Zone’

3) What’s my best resource?

- Transition Points (all courses started same day YourTime)
- Working Well Job Club (Each week, support until courses start, 16-25)
- NCCIS Website
- Hitz (24 Week Programme driven by sport, last 2 months are aimed at work skills, work placements, doesn’t have to be sport related)
- Job Fair (23rd January, Guild Hall, 12 – 7PM, strong emphasis on young people with disabilities)
- Mail Shot (Tracey for all courses all NEET (First week of January)
- Gail to send Dynamic Purchasing System Letter
- Weston College European Social Funding (Launched this week) £6Million over 3 years (DHI GENESIS)
- Building Bridges (Kate Starks to send info about this)

4) Next meeting Monday 13 March 12.30 pm – 2pm