



Learning **E**mployment **A**dvice **P**reparation

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LEAP intensive EET support (E2E) has been in existence since August 2008 and in this time we have engaged 40 care leavers. Presented below is some of the feedback on LEAP provision by the young people we have engaged. At this time we have received 23 completed questionnaires, but will endeavour to seek more as Bradford Leaving Care Service and LEAP understands that provision is led and developed by the young people we engage.

1. Do you think it is a good idea for the Leaving Care Service to have its own E2E programme?

21 out of 23 said YES

Key Points of feedback;

- Young people feel more comfortable with people in similar situations
- Made friends and improved maths and English
- Meet new people and learn new things
- People at the group already know me
- Small relaxed group
- Gained new skills
- Easily accessible because its part of the LCS
- Young people all from the same background
- Already know the staff, so its easier to talk with them
- Non-judgemental people there
- Helped me get into college
- Would prefer to learn away from the service, don't like my social worker being involved
- Preferred to go to college

2. How did the Leaving Care Service E2E compare to other education/training you have attended?

Key Points of feedback;

- Can try other training opportunities quickly
- Enjoyed the course
- Easy going

- Meet new people
- Course built around care leavers
- More beneficial
- Comfortable around familiar faces
- Friendly
- Enjoyed it, became more confident and happy
- Familiar faces from the LCS
- Similar as did basic skills on both
- Better structure
- Short term so I could try other training quickly
- Hands on work so it was fun
- Preferred this course

3. How would you rate the staff who ran the Leaving Care Service E2E?

12 said Excellent 9 said Good 2 said satisfactory

Key Points of feedback;

- Comfortable speaking with Sue
- Nice
- Comfortable that they already knew me
- Understandable
- Great
- Sensitive to feelings, considerate and caring
- Understand care leavers
- Supportive
- Helpful with problems or worries
- Got on well with staff

4. If you did not engage with the Leaving Care Service E2E, what would you have been doing instead?

Key Points of feedback;

- Sat at home
- Bored
- Smoking weed / taking drugs
- On another course
- Getting drunk
- Probably in prison
- Getting into trouble
- Nothing
- Dossing around
- Sleeping

5. Did you feel valued on the Leaving Care Service E2E?

22 out of 23 said YES

Key Points of feedback;

- They chased me up if I did not attend
- Felt part of a team
- NCLE gave me pride in assisting the event
- Felt like staff wanted me there
- Felt like I had a good part to play
- It frustrated me when other yp spoke to staff like crap
- Yes, as we worked as a team
- They helped me with problems I had and understood me
- I liked going to LEAP
- People listened to my opinion
- The staff still care about my well being
- They tried their best to help me
- Listened to my views

6. Did you feel supported the Leaving Care Service E2E?

22 out of 23 said YES

Key Points of feedback;

- Supported when I didn't understand
- Different staff popping in to help
- They helped me gain new skills and manage my behaviour
- Staff are very supportive
- Someone was always there for me
- Very helpful and caring
- Easy to talk to
- Got one to one support
- Helped me manage my behaviour
- Helped me with my work and looking into college course

7. List 3 things you enjoyed attending the Leaving Care Service E2E?

Key Points of feedback;

- Work was made interesting
- Drug & Alcohol awareness
- Having a laugh
- Driving a boat
- Being part of a team
- Staff
- Boat work

- Improving my maths and English
- Getting up early
- Socialising
- Confidence building
- Made friends
- Treated like an adult
- Cooking
- Wildlife work
- The course
- Staff
- Fun
- Computer work
- Basic skills
- Gym
- Swimming
- Arts and crafts
- Receiving money
- Hours were good

8. List 3 things you would have changed attending the Leaving Care Service E2E?

Key Points of feedback;

- Extended the time of the course
- The chance to do course again
- Nothing
- Skipper was miserable
- Young people should have respect for staff
- Didn't like afternoons, too quiet
- At times it was boring, repetitive
- More structure
- More discipline
- Getting up early
- Longer course
- Attend for more hours a week
- Could be more interesting
- Attend more days
- More interaction
- More structure
- More discipline
- To learn the subject before doing exam papers on it
- Would prefer to learn in a classroom environment before doing the exam papers
- Could have been made more interesting

9. How did you feel about moving on from the Leaving Care Service E2E?

Key Points of feedback;

- Fantastic, built my skills at LEAP and went on to college
- Looking forward to moving on
- Happy that I had completed it
- Sad to leave the course
- I miss it – now bored doing nothing
- I wanted to do it again
- Staff encouraged me towards a brighter future
- Would like to do it again
- Didn't want to move on
- Felt proud of myself, I wouldn't have gone to college if I hadn't done the course
- Wanted to get a job when course finished
- Heartbroken – I highly enjoyed myself

10. Was your attendance on the Leaving Care Service E2E worthwhile?

21 out of 23 said - Yes

Key Points of feedback;

- It made me realise I had something in my life
- I got a lot out of it
- Learnt new things
- Opened my eyes to opportunities in life
- Progressed me on to college
- Wish I had attended more
- It filled my time and kept me off the streets
- Learnt to read and write a little
- I have moved on to better things
- I am more confident

11. Anything else you would like to add?

Key Points of feedback;

- Really enjoyed the course and the people
- Would do it again
- Sue is great
- Really enjoyed it
- Disappointed I didn't receive my EMA
- EMA system needs to be more efficient
- Would like to do it again