

**What Makes The Difference?
GOOD PRACTICE EXAMPLE**

This example of good practice relates to criteria 6.2 of the National Leaving Care Standards contributing to ECM outcomes:

- Be healthy
- Stay safe
- Enjoy and achieve
- Make a positive contribution
- Achieve economic well being

**Name(s) and region of agency/organisation in which this piece of work was developed
Gloucestershire Solutions Leaving Care Team.**

Target group(s)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Disabled young people | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Young people 19+ years |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Young people with mental health needs | <input type="checkbox"/> Girls only |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unaccompanied asylum seeking children (UASC) | <input type="checkbox"/> Boys only |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Young people from black and minority ethnic groups | <input type="checkbox"/> Young people as trainers |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Young people not in education, training and employment (NEET) | <input type="checkbox"/> Senior management |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Older looked after children 15+ | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Young people leaving care |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Foster carers | <input type="checkbox"/> Researchers/evaluators |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Girls and boys | <input type="checkbox"/> Trainers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Young people involved as researchers | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Service managers | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Executive and lead members/councillors | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lead professionals (social workers/personal advisors) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other support/care workers | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Parents | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Youth workers | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Information workers | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Young people in custody | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Young parents | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Young people 16+ | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Young people involved in services(SUI) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Others (please specify) | |

<p>Purpose and intended outcomes of this work</p> <p>To encourage local employers to offer employment opportunities and work experience to care leavers in Gloucestershire.</p>	
<p>Description of what was carried out in this piece of work (the intervention/s)</p> <p>The Solutions team held a "Business Breakfast" and invited local business people to come and hear about and from young people leaving care. The breakfast was held early to accommodate the needs of the guests, the meeting was spoken to by the Chief Executive of the County Council as well the local MP and representatives from other organisations. Two young people spoke about their experiences in work and how beneficial it had been and one of the organisations represented talked about how valuable it is to employ young people as apprentices to ensure the continued success of their business.</p>	
<p>Service structures and processes that were set up (e.g. posts, partnership groups etc)</p>	<p>Solutions planned, organised and managed the day from within their own team with the assistance of colleagues from within Gloucestershire CC and WMTD.</p>
<p>Type of agency/organisation in which this work was developed</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Local authority department - unitary</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Local authority department - metropolitan</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Local authority department - borough council</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local authority department - county (shire) council</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Local authority department - city council</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Local authority department - London borough</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Voluntary organisation</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Multi-agency (please specify agencies involved)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Health agency (e.g. PCT, NHS Trust)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Education agency</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Youth justice agency</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Youth service</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify)</p>

Region where work was developed	<input type="checkbox"/> National (please specify UK nation i.e. England, Scotland, Wales, N. Ireland) <input type="checkbox"/> NW England <input type="checkbox"/> NE England <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SW England <input type="checkbox"/> SE England <input type="checkbox"/> London <input type="checkbox"/> East Midlands <input type="checkbox"/> West Midlands
Name(s) of tools/resources developed as part of this work	

In what sense is this 'good practice'? The evidence	
Underlying evidence used to develop the interventions in this piece of work	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None - new exploratory/developmental <input type="checkbox"/> Not known <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Practitioner knowledge/experience only <input type="checkbox"/> Published research evidence <input type="checkbox"/> Local research / evaluation
Source of evidence available to show the <i>impact</i> of the interventions used in this work What this evidence/information suggests	<input type="checkbox"/> Independent evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Internal / self-evaluation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anecdotal / impressions <input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Not known <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Positive impact (if any) <input type="checkbox"/> Negative impact (if any) <input type="checkbox"/> Other impact <input type="checkbox"/> Not known

<p>Type of evidence about the 'process' of delivering the interventions used in this work</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Positive impact (if any)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Negative impact (if any)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other impact</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Not known</p>
<p>Feedback/evaluation report available on this site?</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes, click here to view</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p>
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