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Neet**

Thank you for your request for information relating to NEET. I can now let you have the following information in response to the questions you raised.

- 1. Please can you advise how you meet your Duty to encourage the participation of 16-18 year olds in education and training?** The LA tracks the 1st Education, Employment and Training destination of all Year 11 leavers. The LA also tracks the % of young people aged 16/17 and Academic Age Years 12-13 Cohorts and submits quarterly updates to the CYP committee and monthly returns to the DfE through NCCIS on the proportion of young people who are Not in Education, Employment and Training. The LA commissions a team of NEET workers to provide support to individuals who are NEET. The LA through its commissioned provider has Information Sharing agreements in place with local FE colleges and training providers to enable us to track starters and leavers to courses. The LA through Inspire offers community based learning courses for young people.
- 2. What support do you offer for NEET young people?** Through the NEET Team young people who are NEET are supported with 1) Information, Advice and Guidance, 2) writing CV's, 3) applying for courses, 4) some practical assistance. Through its commissioned provider the LA also manages a live register of young people who are NEET.
- 3. How much resource do you put in to supporting NEET young people and what does this look like in terms of roles? Please indicate the amount of FTE (Full time equivalent) posts you deploy.** Through our commissioned service provider, we fund 5.5fte posts to support young people who are NEET. We also commission a 0.5 MI technician to processes data on our behalf. The commissioned provider has successfully drawn down additional funding through initiatives such as the Life Chances Fund to fund some additional posts.
- 4. What are your processes for tracking 16 and 17 year olds to ascertain their education, training or employment status?** We have Information Sharing Agreements with various training providers, FE colleges and the EFSA who provide regular data on young people EET status. The DfE require LA's to implement currency rules for each type of destination. We are then required to verify that status with subsequent updates or through contact with the young person or a family member. Young people who are identified as having left provision or being NEET are contacted and offered support where this information is available.

5. **How much resource do you put in to tracking 16 and 17 year olds and what does this look like in terms of roles? Please indicate the amount of FTE (Full time equivalent) posts you deploy.** See answer to question 3 above
6. **Do you outsource any NEET work? Please provide details including KPIs.** We have a contract with an external provider. The main KPI is the proportion of young people aged 16/17 who are NEET or whose status is not known and the proportion of young people in the academic Age Years 12/13 who are NEET or Not known. We are aiming the main this at around or below 5% of the cohort
7. **Have you reduced the resource for NEET support and tracking this year from last year – if so, by how much?** We have reduced the number of NEET workers commissioned by the LA by approximately 3 posts.
8. **How likely is it that resources for NEET support and tracking will reduce next year?** This is unknown at this point.

We hope this now satisfies your request, and should you have any further enquiries please do not hesitate to contact me directly using the contact details below. In addition and for future reference Nottinghamshire County Council regularly publish previous Freedom of Information Requests and answers on our website, [click here](#) to see the Disclosure logs.

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