



## Surrey Local Offer for 0-25 year olds



### Surrey's Local Offer

Surrey's Local Offer website is for children and young people with additional needs, their families and the practitioners who help them.

The website provides helpful information and the details of support services in your area:

### [INFORMATION FOR YOUNG PEOPLE](#)

- [Education and Training – Post 16 Admissions guidance for young people with Education, Health and Care Plan](#)
- [Preparing for adulthood](#)
- [Make your voice heard](#)

### [INFORMATION FOR SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES](#)

- Including:
- Learners' Single Point of Access
- SEND resources for practitioners
- Preparing for Adulthood

### [INFORMATION FOR PARENTS & CARERS](#)

- Including:
- What to do if you think your child has additional needs or Disabilities?
  - Types of SEND
  - Education and Training
  - Education, Health and Care (EHC) Plans
  - Family safety and safeguarding
  - Help and Support
  - Leisure and childcare
  - Health
  - Courses and training for parents

### [DIRECTORY OF SUPPORT AND SERVICES](#)

Search by keyword(s) eg autism, town or postcode to find information about childcare, groups, organisations and services for families in your area.

### SUPPORTED INTERNSHIPS

A supported internship is an educational programme for young people with SEND that mostly takes places in the workplace. It must include at least 600 hours training, which is the same as between 6 months to a year of on-the-job training.

The main aim of a supported internship is to give young people aged 16 to 24 skills to help them get a job.

Young people get help to find a Supported Internship employer and are matched to a job that suits them. The internship is unpaid but can lead to employment.

#### Who is a supported internship for?

You can apply for a Support Internship if:

- you really want a job;
- you are aged between 16 and 24; and
- you have an [Education, Health and Care \(EHC\) plan](#).

#### What support will I get?

If you are accepted onto the supported internship programme, you will be assigned a job coach. Their role is to help you make the transition into the workplace. Your job coach will teach you all the skills you need for the work environment.

#### What will I achieve by going on a supported internship?

All young people that complete a supported internship will know how to apply for a job, and will know what is expected of them in the workplace.

You will gain confidence, improve your self-esteem and feel you have made a big step on your path to independence. Perhaps best of all, when you succeed in the workplace you'll become a trailblazer showing other young people and employers that disability is not an obstacle and is often an advantage in the workplace.

#### Can I apply to go on a supported internship?

To be accepted for an interview, you must:

- have an EHCP; and
- be aged between 16 and 24.

If you answered yes to these two questions, you can apply for a Supported Internship!

#### How do I apply for a place on a supported internship?

To apply, email [employability@surreychoices.com](mailto:employability@surreychoices.com) for an application form. Put **SI Application Request** in the subject header.

Surrey Choices will contact you once you have returned your completed application to them.

You can also email [employability@surreychoices.com](mailto:employability@surreychoices.com) with any questions you would like to ask regarding supported internships.

# Outreach & Support for SEN/Social Mobility & Disability

## SCHOOL LEAVER SUPPORT TRANSITION AND EMPLOYMENT



**Surrey Choices provides a range of support services which are dedicated to improving the independence, confidence and life skills of disabled people, autistic people and those with other support needs, whatever their age, in the local community.**



Employment  
and Learning



Home and  
Living



Community  
Choices



Marketplace

### Employment and Learning

Surrey Choices offer a range of employment and learning support which covers all aspects of an employment journey starting with getting ready for work projects, day to day working practices, career guidance, job search, CV writing and interview preparation.

For those in work, Surrey Choices provide job coaching and ongoing support for both an employee and employer providing support with everything from volunteering opportunities to work experience to support with paid work.

They work with a wide range of people in Surrey and its surrounding areas, including disabled people and autistic people and sensory and mental health needs. Helping customers to look for vocational projects, supported internships and employment.

### Community Choices

Community Choices is about supporting people to achieve their personal goals in a way that works for them. Making sure that the support provided is outcome based enabling people to look after their health and well-being.

Surrey Choices works with people and their network of support to create Person Centred Plans, enabling Surrey Choices to find out what is wanted, needed and plan to make this happen.

The person-centred approach supports individuals to achieve inclusion within local communities, providing choice and control along with how to stay healthy and well. Outcome focus on:



### The Surrey Choices Customer Journey

To help you understand the process that you will go through as a Surrey Choices customer below is an outline the different stages of the customer journey.

- You will make contact with Surrey Choices.
- They will work with you to understand your wants, needs and wishes.
- They will work in partnership with you to build a package of support from the variety of services they offer. This includes activities, employment, community support and home and living.
- With Surrey Choices, you will have the opportunity to enjoy, learn and achieve.
- You will learn about their core values which are: Be Courageous, Be Inspiring, Be Kind, Be Collaborative, Be Inclusive and Be Responsive. You can [learn more about them here](#).
- Surrey Choices aim is for you and your support network to have a better quality of life and wellbeing, be in control of your services and support and reach your goals and potential.
- They will continue to work with you along your journey with them. As a customer, you will be able to regularly review your services and support, celebrate your successes and achievements, maintain your skills and plan your future goals.

[CLICK HERE](#) FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON SURREY CHOICES

Email: [info@surreychoices.com](mailto:info@surreychoices.com)

Tel: 01483 806806

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## SCHOOL LEAVER SUPPORT TRANSITION AND EMPLOYMENT



### Find a traineeship

A traineeship is a course with work experience that gets you ready for work or an apprenticeship. It can last from 6 weeks up to 1 year, though most traineeships last for less than 6 months.

You can apply if you're:

- eligible to work in England
- unemployed and have little or no work experience
- aged 16 to 24

[Click here to find out more register and search for opportunities](#)



Helping 11 to 30 year-olds to find the tools and confidence to try free courses and start careers.

Prince's Trust

The Prince's Trust believe that every young person should have the chance to embrace exciting opportunities

The Prince's Trust are open to young people aged 11 to 30 from all over the UK facing difficulties.

The Prince's Trust work with delivery partners across the UK to offer hundreds of free courses, grants and mentoring opportunities to inspire young people to build their confidence and start a career to support them to achieve their full potential.

[Click here to find out about the Prince's Trust programmes and help for young people.](#)



Employment and Skills Training

[Employment, Training & Skills Support](#)

[Barnardo's Apprenticeships](#)



Information, advice and support

After School:  
Transition into Adult Services:

Young people must remain in education or training in England until they 18.

However, some young people with a learning disability – for example those in England who have an Education, Health and Care (EHC) Plan – may remain in education or training, free of charge, until they are 25 if it is agreed that it would be beneficial for them to do so.

When it is anticipated that a young person with an EHC Plan will soon be leaving education or training, the local authority should agree in advance the support the young person might need to access and the support they might need to help them access it.

### Further education

Explore your options for further education and training after school.

Most further education takes place at colleges, training facilities or sixth form in school. There are lots courses and options available, including [study programmes](#) and tailored packages of support five days a week.

Visit your [Local Offer](#) to see what options are available in your area.

The [SEND system](#) also offers support to anyone up to the age of 25 if they are still in education or training.

There are also employment training options available to young people with a learning disability, which can help build skills and confidence to help get a job. These options usually involve doing a course that also includes a placement in a workplace.

There are three main training options available in England for young people with a learning disability - apprenticeships, traineeships and supported internships.

### Getting Support:

If you would like support from Mencap with finding training or a job you can contact them on:

Tel: 0808 808 1111

Or contact them on-Line: [Contact Mencap's Employment Team | Mencap](#)

### Information Websites for Outreach and SEN:

[Surrey County Council: Support for when your child with SEND leaves School](#)

[National Careers Service – Job Support if you have a special educational needs or a disability](#)

[The Autism Organisation – Transition from school/education Support Helpline](#)

[Information for jobseekers | British Association for Supported Employment \(base-uk.org\)](#)

# Higher Education & University Outreach & Support for SEN/Social Mobility & Disability



Universities provide help for SEN, disability and enabling social mobility. You can find information on their support on universities websites through their student support and wellbeing pages.

Access can also be gained through contextual offers:

**Contextual offers** are those made when universities take into account your personal circumstances when considering your application. For example if you've attended a school with low progression rates to higher education, access schemes and alternative offers may be available to help you get into university.

Find out more how contextual offers work:

[Contextual Offers](#)



The Sutton Trust support young people from less advantaged backgrounds to access leading universities and careers. In partnership with universities and employers, Sutton Trust run engaging programmes that give students practical advice and leave them feeling inspired and more confident about their future.

Suttons Trust programmes are completely free to attend. All costs - including travel, accommodation, food and activities – are paid for by the Trust and our partners.

[CLICK HERE FOR INFORMATION AND TO FIND OUT ABOUT THEIR CURRENT PROGRAMMES](#)

## Sutton Trusts UK Summer Schools

Are you interested in going to university? Not sure on what subject you want to study? Our UK Summer Schools offer you the chance to experience what university life is like. From academic taster sessions to social activities, you'll get the chance to meet like-minded young people from across the UK and explore a subject of your choice at a leading UK university. [Click here for information](#)

**Find out how you can support a young person to apply to a Sutton Trust Programme:**

[For Parents click here](#)

[For Teachers click here](#)



The Higher Education Outreach Network (HEON) is a partnership of local organisations including universities and colleges working in Surrey and North East Hampshire. Through both a programme of targeted and strategic outreach, HEON aim to increase the rates of young people from local areas accessing higher education. Funded and supported by the Office for Students (OfS) as part of the Uni Connect Programme.

HEON is 1 of the 29 partnerships that make up the Uni Connect Programme across the country and work towards the government's aim of supporting a rapid increase in the number of young people from under-represented groups who go into higher education. Uni Connect is now in phase three of the project.

HEON deliver targeted higher education outreach in 11 specific wards across Surrey and North East Hampshire. The Office for Students has identified these wards as areas where the proportion of young people progressing to higher education is low overall, and lower than expected given their GCSE attainment levels.

### HEON'S 11 TARGET WARDS:

Aldershot Park, Ashford North & Stanwell South, Cherrywood, Chertsey St Ann's, Hoe Valley, North Town, Old Dean, Preston, Stanwell North, Stoke and Wellington.

## [CLICK HERE FOR STUDENT ADVICE AND INFORMATION](#)

Including:

- Career Pathways
- Applying to Higher Education
- Student Finance,
- Open days and Events
- Transition and further Resources

## [CLICK HERE FOR TEACHERS AND ADVISERS HUB](#)

Including:

- Outreach available for your school or college
- Careers advice/guidance
- Resources & Training Sessions

## [CLICK HERE FOR PARENTS AND CARER HUB](#)

Including:

- Guide to supporting someone to university
- Learn about higher education
- Parents & Carers Resources and Community Events