

Future Options Information

Post 16 Options

Dorset Council Local Offer – A useful website containing information about the services offered by the local authority to support young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities within Dorset <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/children-families/sen-and-disability-local-offer/dorsets-local-offer.aspx>

Contact: East Dorset Locality – Tel: 01202 868224 and Email: eastlocality@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk

Dorset Council Contacts:

- [SEN Travel Team](#) – Information on Post 16 Transport and funding.
- [Dorset Council Family Directory](#) – includes information on local activities and clubs which young people with SEND can join including drama groups and sports clubs.
- [Dorset Transitions Team](#) – explains more about the service they offer to prepare young people as they progress into adulthood.

Specialist Educational Placements - focus on continuing education to develop specialist skills or to provide additional help for a learning and/or physical disability. These options can be costly and often require funding from the local authority. Therefore, it is useful to visit and establish whether a specialist placement is the best option to meet a young person's needs for a future placement.

NATSPEC – A useful website offering information on Specialist Placements by area, please see here <https://natspec.org.uk/colleges/search/>

Specialist options which we discussed:

- **Employ My Ability** – Website: <https://employmyability.org.uk/>
Contact – Paula Harris Email: Paula.harris@employmyability.org.uk and Tel: 01929 405685
Address: Employ My Ability, The Walled Gardens, Moreton, Dorchester, Dorset, DT2 8RH
- **The Sheiling School and College** - Horton Road, Ashley, Ringwood, BH24 2EB
Contact - Juliette Martin (Admissions) Tel: 01425 482406 and Email: admissions@thesheilingringwood.co.uk To arrange a visit:
<https://www.thesheilingringwood.co.uk/form/?pid=3&form=16>
Website: <https://www.thesheilingringwood.co.uk/>
- **Fairfield Farm College** - 43 High Street, Dilton Marsh, Westbury, Wiltshire, BA13 4DL Contact – Email: info@ffc.ac.uk admissions@ffc.ac.uk and Tel: 01373 823028 Website: <https://www.ffc.ac.uk/>

Local Further Education Colleges - all offer educational courses within their Foundation Learning Departments which are aimed at young people with special educational needs and learning difficulties.

- **Bournemouth and Poole College** - offer two main courses within their Foundation Learning Department please see their website here <https://www.thecollege.co.uk/what-to-study/curriculum-areas/foundation-learning>
 - 1) [The STEPS Programme](#) - specifically aimed at young people between the ages of 16-24 with moderate to severe learning difficulties. The course provides students with the opportunity to complete practical classroom-based activities alongside volunteering whilst also developing their skills in English and Maths. The STEPs course is aimed at preparing students to progress onto other courses or volunteering/employment.
 - 2) [Pre-vocational Programme](#) - A one-year course aimed at school leavers with moderate learning difficulties and additional needs. The programme offers students the opportunity to take part in voluntary work, gain qualifications and more independence in preparation for future employment. The programme also offers a possible progression to a second and third year depending on individual circumstances.

Foundation Learning Department Contact - Paula Lock (Head of Department) Email: lockp@bpc.ac.uk Tel: 01202 205205
Address: Bournemouth and Poole College, North Road, Poole, BH14 0LS

Virtual Open Event: <https://thecollege.onlineopendays.com/> and 360 Virtual Tour <https://www.thecollege.co.uk/about-us/experience-college/360-tour>

Information on SEND Support <https://www.thecollege.co.uk/student-support/students-disabilities>

- **Brockenhurst College** offer a range of courses within their Foundation Studies Department please see their website here <https://www.brock.ac.uk/sixth-form/foundation-studies/>

[The Continuing Education Course](#) – A first year course aimed at school leavers from ages 16 through to 19 to support them with the transition from School to College. Learners will work towards a certificate in either Personal Social Development or Vocational Studies with the view of moving onto employment or further study, such as the Level 1 Diploma in Vocational Studies or STTEPS Course also offered by the Foundation Learning Department.

Foundation Studies Department Contact - Sarah Fisher (Head of Curriculum for Foundation Studies) Email: sfisher@brock.ac.uk Foundation Studies Email: foundation@brock.ac.uk Tel: 01590 625385 Address: Brockenhurst College, Lyndhurst Road, Brockenhurst, SO42 7ZE

Virtual Open Event: <https://www.brock.ac.uk/calendar/open-events-copy-copy/>
Information on SEND Support <https://www.brock.ac.uk/the-college/local-offer/>

- **Kingston Maurward College** – offer a range of courses within their Foundation Learning Department please see their website here
https://ols.kmc.ac.uk/WCFWebSite/KMC_OnlineServices/coursesearchresults.aspx?directory=true&value=S1000031251548

Introduction to Skills for Working Life E2 – A first year course aimed at School leavers to support them with the transition from School to College. You will learn subjects such as large and small animal care and gardening, plus you can relax and socialise in small groups as you develop your social skills within the wider college community.

Foundation Learning Department Contact - Yvonne Blackborough (SENDCO) Email: yvonne.blackborough@kmc.ac.uk Tel: 01305 215065
 Address: Kingston Maurward College, Dorchester, Dorset DT2 8PY

Virtual Open Event: <https://www.kmc.ac.uk/college/information/open-days/virtual-open-event/> and 360 Google Tour <https://tinyurl.com/y9mw4v24>
Information about SEND Support <https://www.kmc.ac.uk/college/information/learning-support/special-education-needs-or-disabilities-send/>

- **SWRAC (South West Regional Assessment Centre)** - A local Training Provider based in Wimborne with educational settings in Boscombe, Dorchester and Weymouth offering courses aimed at those with special educational needs and learning difficulties (SEND), and/or those who are educated outside of mainstream provision.
 - **The Pathways Course** - A course aimed at young people with SEND. Learners will complete 12 weeks on the Pathways course and then progress onto either the (1) Prep for Life or (2) Prep for Work module. The Pathways Course plus either option 1 or 2 will create a one-year educational programme aimed at preparing learners for an apprenticeship, further study at College or employment.
 - **Get into Work** - A Supported Internship aimed at preparing learners for employment. Suitability of learners for the Supported Internship is determined through the Pathways course. For students with SEN and an EHCP, Supported Internships can be a good alternative to an Apprenticeship.

Supported Internships prepare young people for employment and accessing the workplace in a similar way to an Apprenticeship but with additional support to meet their needs. Please see here for more information about Supported Internships:
<https://www.preparingforadulthood.org.uk/downloads/supported-internships>

SWRAC Contact – Email: mail@swrac.ac.uk and Tel: 01202 848099 Website <http://swrac.co.uk/>
 Address: SWRAC, 22 Sea Road, Bournemouth, Dorset, BH5 1DD
 Kerry Pedder kerrypedder@swrac.ac.uk is the Centre Manager in Boscombe

Options requiring funding via Adult Social Care

These are options which some students will consider alongside educational placements such as College but they can also be accessed individually depending on an allocation of funding which is usually established via a social care assessment.

Adult Day Placement Options

- Spiral Blue & Helix <https://www.windward-dayservices.co.uk/helix/>
- Stable Family Home Trust <https://www.sfht.org.uk/>
- Diverse Abilities <https://diverseabilities.org.uk/adults/>
- Crumbs <http://crumbsathome.org.uk/>
- Out and About
<http://www.poolefamilyinformationdirectory.com/kb5/poole/fis/service.page?id=RHen9bCYjuE>
- All Sort'd <http://www.allsortd.org/>
- Dimensions Personalised Social Care <https://dimensions-uk.org/region/south/>
- My Place Dorset <https://www.mylacedorset.co.uk/>

Farm Based Adult Day Placements

- Herons View Care Farm <https://heronsviewcarefarm.com/>
- High Mead Farm <http://highmeadfarm.org.uk/>
- Holton Lee <https://www.holtonlee.org/>
- Sturts Farm <http://www.sturtscommunitytrust.org.uk/>

My Life My Care Directory

<https://www.mylifemycare.com/directory-of-day-opportunities-and-activities?f=Dorset&sort=Title&size=1000>

Useful Websites/Charities aimed at supporting young people with SEND

- **Employment sites** aimed at young people with SEND
Even Break <https://www.evenbreak.co.uk/en> and Exception Individuals <https://exceptionalindividuals.com/> who offer a CV checking service.
- **Contact** <https://contact.org.uk/> A charity aimed at supporting families with disabled children providing guidance and information including a [resource library](#), [Information Podcasts](#) and [Preparing for adult life](#).
- **The Mental Capacity Act: an animated guide**
https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=225&v=tsthYJV0yig&feature=emb_title

- **Preparing for adulthood** <https://www.preparingforadulthood.org.uk/> includes a [final year annual review guide](#), [writing EHCP outcomes](#) and [Person-centred Planning](#).
- **SENDIASS** <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/children-families/sen-and-disability-local-offer/education-and-learning/services-to-help-support-your-child/dorset-special-educational-needs-information-advice-and-support-service-sendiass.aspx> providing information, legal advice and support for young people aged 0-25 with special needs and learning difficulties.
- **Council for disabled children** <https://councilfordisabledchildren.org.uk/>
- **Disability Rights** <https://www.disabilityrightsuk.org/>
- **Disability Matters** <https://www.disabilitymatters.org.uk/>
- **SCIE (Social Care institute for excellence)** <https://www.scie.org.uk/> Moving into Adult Services www.scie.org.uk/care-act-2014/assessment-and-eligibility
- **IPSEA** <https://www.ipsea.org.uk/>
- **RNIB** Information for Blind/Partial Sighted young people <https://www.rnib.org.uk/young-people>