

The Guernsey Map to Adulthood – Overview



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This resource, Guernsey Map to Adulthood, has been produced to inform parents and young people, with learning difficulties and disabilities, of the agencies and pathways available to them in the Bailiwick of Guernsey. It illustrates what options students have in the transition from school to their next steps on the path to adulthood and the support options that are available to them on their journey. The participation and contribution of students, parents and professionals in this project is key to the finished leaflet.

The organisations involved in this project, who all provide a service for children and young people who live in Guernsey, worked together on a Learning and Skills Improvement Service project with UK educational establishments.

- Le Murier provides education for children from Year 7 to Year 11. The aim of the school is to enable students to be active, productive members of the community and be fully included in society. They create an environment of challenging opportunities where everyone has equal value and where positive attitudes and essential knowledge and skills enable students to make choices about their lives.
- Guernsey College of Further Education provides Post 16 education for young people leaving school; known as the Access Course. It provides an opportunity for school leavers to continue in education up to the age of 19 years. The course offers development and skills improvement with the opportunity to gain nationally recognised qualifications leading to progress on to other college courses, training or employment.
- Guernsey Employment Trust assists people with disabilities to prepare, find and maintain work in Guernsey.
- States of Guernsey - Education Department representative, Julie Spratt, is the SEN and Inclusion Officer in Guernsey. Her job role is to facilitate student inclusion through liaison with schools, colleges and agencies and to support the availability of appropriate provision.

The aim of the project was to pool expertise to provide coordinated and coherent progression pathways that will prepare young people with specific needs for adulthood. Guernsey organisations met to share existing good practice and define what we all wanted the outcome to be. The above contributors agreed outcomes and presented this at a national education conference in the UK.