

## Post-16 options – Pathways into Employment and Support

### Further Education – Local Colleges

There are a range of local colleges that offer courses to our learners from Pre-entry Level to Level 2 and beyond. Our local colleges offer courses that focus on building life skills, confidence and independence whilst working towards awards and qualifications in a range of vocational areas.

If a young person wishes to apply for local authority transport to access college, the college that is the nearest and can meet need will be explored in the first instance.

Specialist colleges can be explored if local colleges cannot meet need. If a young person is seeking a residential college place, social care involvement will be required. Information about specialist colleges can be found on [www.natspec.org.uk](http://www.natspec.org.uk)

### Local college information

- Cheshire College South and West (CCSW) [www.ccsw.ac.uk](http://www.ccsw.ac.uk)
- Coleg Cambria [www.cambria.ac.uk](http://www.cambria.ac.uk)
- Wirral Metropolitan College [www.wmc.ac.uk](http://www.wmc.ac.uk)
- Petty Pool College [www.pettypool.org.uk](http://www.pettypool.org.uk)
- Riverside College, Widnes & Runcorn [www.riversidecollege.ac.uk](http://www.riversidecollege.ac.uk)
- Warrington and Vale Royal College [www.wvr.ac.uk](http://www.wvr.ac.uk)
- Reaseheath College [www.reaseheath.ac.uk](http://www.reaseheath.ac.uk)

### Supported Internships

Supported internships are a 12-month programme to enable the young person to work towards employment. They are tailored to meet the young person's skills and interests. Young people have the support of a job coach during the programme.

Supported Internship information is available at [www.livewell.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/Services/3431](http://www.livewell.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/Services/3431)

### Bespoke support packages

There are a range of care providers in the local area that can provide day services for young people who are not following a pathway to college or employment. If a young person is to access day services, they will need a social worker to plan and gain funding for the day services package. The CWAC Transition Team can support young people from the age of 16. [transition.team@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk](mailto:transition.team@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk)

Further CWAC Transition Information is available at [www.livewell.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/Services/1696](http://www.livewell.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/Services/1696)

### Other information

DIAL West Cheshire ([dialwestcheshire.org.uk/](http://dialwestcheshire.org.uk/)) can support with claiming benefits. Telephone 01244 345655