

Have your say on the future of Transitions Learning Programme



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Public consultation: Submit your views by 4th April 2024

What is the Transitions Learning Programme?

The Transitions Learning Programme provides learning provision for young adults aged 19-25 years with profound and multiple learning disabilities who have an Education Health Care Plan (EHCP).

The Transitions Learning Programme is delivered by the County Council's Adult Learning Service on the site of Rawlins Academy in Quorn. The service provides placements for up to seven young adults per academic year. The service offers 16 hours of supported learning per individual per week together with wrap-around care within their educational setting where there are assessed care needs.

The Transitions Learning Programme is one of three learning providers across Leicestershire that support young adults over compulsory school age meet outcomes identified with their EHCP.

Why change?

The Transitions Learning Programme, unlike other provision provided for young adults with high needs within Leicestershire, is a service delivered in-house by the Council. The programme operates from an adapted portable classroom on the grounds of Rawlins Academy in Quorn.

The current model of delivery of the Transitions Learning Programme is not financially sustainable. In addition, the current premises are in poor condition and require significant investment.

What is the council proposing?

As described in the supporting information, the council is exploring alternative ways to provide the service delivered by the Transitions Learning Programme and is proposing to support learners by using external learning providers.

Where a young person is eligible for further educational provision, they will be supported to access Post-19 provision, either through the Special School estate, from Independent Providers or supported to access mainstream provision.

Alternative learning providers that currently deliver educational support for young adults with EHCPs include the following:

- Homefield College - <https://www.homefieldcollege.ac.uk>
- Sense College - <https://college.sense.org.uk>

Leicestershire also utilises provisions outside of authority such as

- Portland College - <https://www.portland.ac.uk>

How will the council support all of those affected by the proposals?

There are currently three learners with placements at the Transitions Learning Programme. All three learners will have their EHCP reviewed formally through the statutory Annual Review process and plans made for appropriate options.

Where a learner achieves their outcomes identified within their EHCP, arrangements will be made to support transition to adulthood. For others with educational outcomes remaining, the EHCP will be maintained. The council's SENA service will be proactive in working with the young people, their parents, and carers to identify suitable onwards provision in accordance with individual needs and requirements.

How the consultation will work

The consultation begins on 22nd February 2024 and will end at midnight on 4th April 2024

The views of people who are directly affected by these proposals are really important to us.

To submit your views please fill out the consultation survey and make sure it reaches us by midnight on 4th April 2024 at the latest. The survey is available online at **DETAILS TO BE ADDED**

In addition to the survey, there will be consultation discussions with those currently using the Transitions Learning Programme, including their families, carers and staff.

If you are unable to complete the questions online, paper copies of the survey are available on request by calling 0116 305 5013

If you need help to complete this questionnaire or have any questions about the consultation, please call 0116 305 5013 or email A&Cconsultations@leics.gov.uk

Your feedback will be used to inform the decisions about these proposals.

What happens next?

When the consultation closes, we will analyse the feedback and review the proposals. The consultation findings will then be presented to the council's Cabinet in June 2024, where a decision will be made on how to proceed.

Throughout the process we will continue to work with parents, carers, agencies and partners to safeguard the continuity of support required to enable individuals to complete outstanding targets within their EHCPs.

You can view the latest information in a number of ways

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Follow us **DETAIL TO BE ADDED** @leicscountyhall for general updates from the council, including the developments on the budget.

Alternatively, you can telephone 0116 305 5013 to ask for information in printed or alternative formats.

Have your say on the future of the Transitions Learning Programme (TLP)

We want to hear your views on the future of the Transitions Learning Programme (TLP).

The council is exploring alternative ways to deliver the Transitions Learning Programme and is proposing to support current and future learners using external providers, including specialist schools and colleges. The proposed approach will ensure that appropriate provision can be found for all service users and provides best value for the council.

Further information on the proposals can be found here: **[please provide link]**
Please read the supporting information provided before completing the questionnaire.

Thank you for your assistance. Your views are important to us.

Do not use the back button on your browser/device as you may lose your response. Use the buttons below to navigate the survey.

Please note: Your responses to the main part of the survey (including your comments) may be released to the general public in full under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Any responses to the questions in the 'About you' section of the questionnaire will be held securely and will not be subject to release under Freedom of Information legislation, nor passed on to any third party.

Your role

Q1 In what role are you responding to this consultation? Please select one option only.

- Currently attend the Transitions Learning Programme (TLP)
- Family member/ carer of someone who attends the Transitions Learning Programme (TLP)
- Interested member of the public
- Member of Transitions Learning Programme (TLP) staff
- Member of staff at any other independent provider of support for young adults with EHCPs
- Other care professional
- Representative of a public sector organisation (including NHS)
- Representative of a voluntary sector organisation, charity or community group
- Representative of a business or private sector organisation
- County, district or parish councillor
- Other (please specify)

Q2. Are you providing your organisation's official response to the consultation? **[routed if representing public sector org/business in Q1]**

- Yes
- No

If you indicated that you represent a business, community group, charity or other organisation please provide your details.

Supporting future learners

As described in the supporting information, the council is exploring alternatives to the in-house delivered Transitions Learning Programme and is proposing to support learners by using external learning providers. The council would work with young people, their families and carers to find appropriate alternative provision with external providers in the future.

Please refer to the supporting information for further details.

Q3 To what extent do you agree or disagree with this proposal?

- Strongly agree
- Tend to agree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Tend to disagree
- Strongly disagree
- Don't know

Why do you say this?

Supporting existing learners

As described in the supporting information, the council would work with the current service users, their carers and families to review their existing support needs and find appropriate alternative services that will meet their needs and achieve their agreed outcomes.

Q4 To what extent do you agree or disagree with the council's proposals to support young people who access the council's Transitions Learning Programme?

Please select one option only.

- Strongly agree
- Tend to agree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Tend to disagree
- Strongly disagree
- Don't know

Why do you say this?

Q5. Do you have any other comments on the potential impact of these proposals? This includes measures we could put in place to reduce any possible negative impacts or to maximise any benefits of the proposals.

Other Alternatives

Q6. Are there any other alternative approaches to providing the Transitions Learning Programme in the future that you would like to propose?

Q7. Do you have any other comments?

About you

Leicestershire County Council is committed to ensuring that its services, policies, and practices are free from discrimination and prejudice, address the needs of all sections of the community and promote and advance equality of opportunity.

Many people face discrimination in society because of their personal circumstances and for this reason we have decided to ask these monitoring questions.

We would therefore be grateful if you would answer the following questions. You are under no obligation to provide the information requested, but it would help us greatly if you did.

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