

The Professional Personal Advisor (PPA) Teams

What the PPA hubs do, and the role of the PPA...

- Response to Ofsted feedback (September 2015)
- Feedback from Care Leavers
- Dedicated teams for Care Leavers
- Additional management capacity

- Who are we
- What do we do
- How do we do it

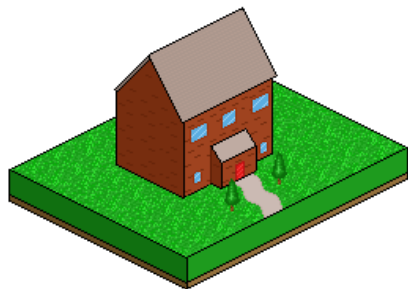
Who are we?

- The PPA Teams cover 3 Localities:

North	Andreas Feldhaar	1 social worker	5.5 PPA's
Central	Roxanne McAllister	1 social worker	12 PPA's
East	Cath Brooks	1 social worker	14.5 PPA's

What do we do





How we do it

Housing

- Talk to young people about their accommodation options and wishes
- Review accommodation options every 6 months
- Team managers attend housing panels in their localities - to ensure the housing needs of care leavers are regularly discussed
- Provide tenancy advice/guidance/support
- Work together with the young person to see what is needed when living independently (SUHA, emotional needs, practical support etc)
- Assist in setting up utilities
- Regular visits until settled in



How we do it

Employment, education and training

- Link with WPEH and LCC apprenticeship scheme to support young people with their intended destination
- Attend PeP meetings
- Link in with colleges (named PPA)
- Provide Local Authority bursary
- Support young person to identify vacation accommodation



How we do it

Rights and entitlements

- Access and support young people with SUHA
- Help fill in forms and attend appointments at benefits office
- All PPA's have received specialist training in this area
- Developed good links with local job centre's (SPOCS)



How we do it

Preparing for Independence

Ongoing project with key stakeholders involved to develop core offer



How we do it

Participation

- Setting up locality care leaver forums to feed into the County Care Leaver forum
- Support young people to attend Care Leaver forum
- Identify and support young people to be part of interview panels
- Care leavers involved in delivering training to PPA's

What we have achieved

We still have a long way to go..... A lot more to achieve - but below are examples of progress

- LCC mentoring programme
- Student mentoring Programme with UCLan
- Dedicated team with all staff having received specialist training
- Two care leavers representing Benchmarking Forum
- New style pathway plan
- Established SCAYT consultation to assist PPA's working with young people