



## **Provision for young people in the East Riding of Yorkshire 14-19 Youth Responsive Fund**

The Learning & Skills Council, (LSC) have appointed Humberside Learning Consortium (HLC), to be the Co-ordinated Response Manager to manage the European Social funds. The role for HLC is to develop a flexible commissioning process for provision, which will be a range of innovative and exciting programmes to help young people explore future opportunities available to them.

HLC, in partnership with the East Riding Economic Well Being Outcome group have identified priorities for this activity. The key purpose of these projects will be to reduce the number of young people not in education, employment or training, 16-18 (NEET), and to support young people still at school who may, or have, disengaged from the learning experience. The LSC is seeking, through HLC, to establish flexible programmes within the East Riding that offer alternatives to existing provision.

There is an initial funding allocation for delivery to 16-19 year olds from September 2008 to March 2010. The allocation for 14-16 year olds will be available from January 2009 to March 2010.

These activities will contribute towards meeting the following locally agreed targets:-

- A reduction in NEETs to 4% by November 2008 (LAA stretch target 2005/8)
- A reduction of NEETs by 1.8% has been identified as a priority in the Local Area Agreement for 2008/11.
- Increase the proportion of 19 year olds with level 3 qualifications
- Increase the proportion of 19 year olds with level 2 qualifications
- Increase the number of young offenders becoming Educated, Employed or Trained (EET – every child matters)
- Increase the number of teenage parents becoming EET.

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### **Specification:**

Target Group;	90 participants aged 16-18 Classified as 'NEET' by the Connexions Service
Locality;	Bridlington/Driffield, Holderness area

Characteristics of the group may include:

- Low motivation
  - Low value on education, employment and training
  - Ill health, disability
  - Young people with caring responsibilities
  - Young parents and those soon to be
  - Other external pressures, eg, lack of accommodation
  - Young offenders, Young people leaving a custodial sentence
  - Poor access to transport
  - Poor attendance at school
  - Low achievers
  - Young people from BME backgrounds
  - Young people from socially excluded groups
  - Drug and alcohol problems
  - Young people with mental health problems
  - Young people with learning difficulties and/or disabilities (LLDD)
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### **Contract Requirements**

Outcomes	In The First Tendering Round for Bridlington & Holderness
Beneficiaries completing an Individual Learning Plan	90
Achievement of Accredited Qualification	40
Achievement of non-accredited learning outcome	30
Progression into employment, with training at 13 weeks	18
Progression into FE, employment without training or other government programme	41

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**Service Requirement: HLC will to commission the following activity;-**

- Innovative programmes for 16-18 year olds
- Holistic programmes with flexible hours which are designed to meet the young person's needs are essential.
- Developmental activities, including life style management incorporating elements of personal & social skills development.

Which may include:

- Personal development activity such as:
  - confidence building
  - developing communication / interaction skills
  - presentation skills
- Opportunities to explore the world of work:
  - work tasters / experience
  - voluntary and community activity
- Work focused activity such as:
  - accredited qualifications
  - short courses to ensure work readiness
  - employability skills
  - interview techniques
  - time management

All organisations are required to work closely with Connexions to ensure the participants are on the NEET register and to ensure that accurate information is shared in a timely manner to allow Connexions to manage that register.

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Funding will be agreed as per project costs and paid as per 40% start and 60% outcome. There will be separate funds available for childcare, training allowance and travel costs and this will be in agreement with each organisation.

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**Results**

A reduction in NEET young people in the East Riding.

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**Tender documents and specifications will be available from 8th July 2008 and can be downloaded from our website: [www.hlc-vol.org](http://www.hlc-vol.org). All tenders are to be with Humberside Learning Consortium by 5pm on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> July 2008.**

**Scoring will take place within 2 weeks of this date and you will be notified of the outcome after Tuesday 12th August 2008.**