



nextstep update for Shropshire Telford & Wrekin

Information for nextstep managers, advisers
and other services supporting adults in Shropshire



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Careers Guidance • In-depth jobsearch advice • Access to careers software & resources
Identification of transferable skills & career change • Advice on learning

Free, impartial, confidential advice for adults 20+, with no or few* qualifications

* below Level 2

Hello everybody!

The end of January marked the halfway point of our contract year. **I am pleased to say that this is our best year yet!** This applies to the number of clients using the service, as well as the quality of our activity: We have provided over 700 advice sessions in this period, which is equivalent to 92% of our target achievement rate. What's even better is that **at least 45% of tracking respondents have moved into learning or work, two months after their session.** It just goes to show, that good careers advice has a very positive impact on people's lives and aspirations. So, a big **THANK YOU and WELL DONE to everyone**, who have worked hard to achieve this. The exact figures can be seen on page 2 of this update.

Needless to say, we want to keep up this momentum. February is still looking busy and we're doing some extra advertising in March to help with this. Look out for our entry in the Shropshire Star today!

Regards, Marion Versluijs, nextstep STW coordinator

It's easy to get in touch or refer to nextstep:

People living or working in Shropshire can call/text 07967 226683.

Likewise, for Telford call 01952 382946.

Visit nextstepstw.org.uk

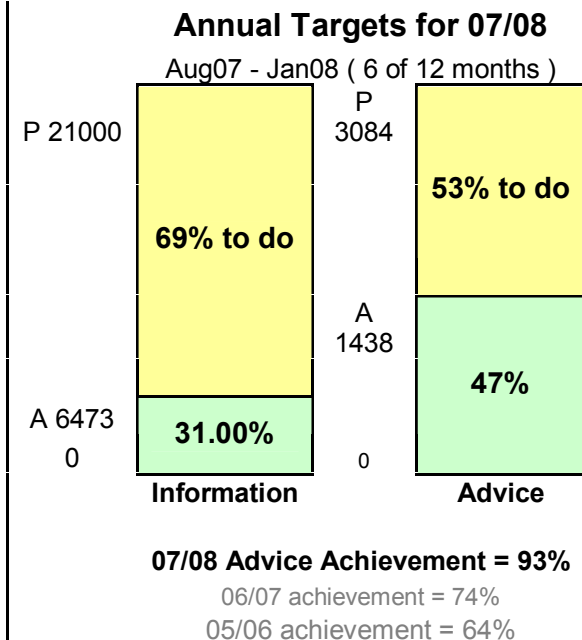


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Network achievement



Free advice on Higher Education and Career MOTs for adults:

20 Feb, 3:30-7:30 pm,
Venue: TCAT

Next nextstep network meeting:

13 March, 9:30-11:00 am,
Telford venue: tbc

Apparently

The LSC have today published a new study revealing that a massive 60% of us have found love whilst in a learning environment, proving that romance really is commonplace in the classroom and that school or college is one of the best places to find love in the 21st century.

More info on www.lsc.gov.uk/inourhands

Behind the scenery

It's self-assessment time again for the nextstep network!

Rob Hedison is looking to organise a one-off adviser focus group to have your views about your nextstep activities. He'll be in touch shortly

Development for nextstep advisers:

19 Feb: Managing actual & potential aggression

6 March: Integrative approach to interventions

14 March: Working with ex-offenders

Nextstep in a nutshell ...

- Career Guidance
- In-depth jobsearch skills
- Independent info on courses and training
- Help with CV & Interview preparation
- Identifying transferable skills for career changers

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