

# Transitions Directory

For young people with special educational needs and their families.



'WHAT'S NEXT?'

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'TRANSITIONS CAN  
BE DIFFICULT BUT ALSO  
EMPOWERING AND  
POSITIVE'



# Welcome

We recognise that the transition from leaving Sheiling College can be an anxious time for young people and their families particularly for those who have special educational needs and disabilities. However, transitions can be a difficult but empowering experience leading to a positive next step in their adult lives.

As parents and carers, you know the needs and aspirations of your young person and will play a large part in helping to shape their future. We hope that this information will help to guide you as a family as, together, you will make some important decisions.

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# Residential

## Residential Living Placements

Hampshire, Dorset, BCP

Residential living placements may be identified as being the most suitable placement for a student who has high support needs and requires input from multi-disciplinary teams. Often, residential placements will provide high support levels throughout the 24-hour day and will involve living within a house with others who may have similar needs.

### Choice Care Group

<https://www.choicecaregroup.com/>

Choice Care has a number of homes in Hampshire and Dorset which provide specialist care and support for people with learning disabilities, autism, mental health conditions and associated complex needs.

For more information, please contact [ben.welch-baines@choicecaregroup.com](mailto:ben.welch-baines@choicecaregroup.com)

### Cygnnet Health

<https://www.cygnethealth.co.uk/>

Cygnnet Health has 5 residential homes in the Hampshire, Dorset and BCP areas which provide specialist support for adults with autism and learning disabilities, who may have complex needs and behaviours.

For more information, please contact [charlotteswarbrick@cygnethealth.co.uk](mailto:charlotteswarbrick@cygnethealth.co.uk)

### Minstead Trust

<https://www.minsteadtrust.org.uk/charity/services/residential/>

The safe and secure residential area of the Lodge is home for up to 10 adults, with staff present 24-hours a day to support the residents.

### Stable Family Home Trust

<https://www.sfht.org.uk/residential/sfht-services-content/residential-home>

The residential service provides a 24-hour service. People are supported to choose what they do during the day; this may be in the form of college courses, employment or day support services.

### Ventana Homes

<https://www.carehome.co.uk/carehome.cfm/searchazref/10002022VENA>

Ventana is a privately owned residential home for people with learning disabilities, autism, physical disabilities and epilepsy in Bournemouth.

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### Achieve Together

[https://www.achievetogether.co.uk/homes/?fwp\\_service=residential](https://www.achievetogether.co.uk/homes/?fwp_service=residential)

Achieve Together is one of the UK's leading providers for supporting people with learning disabilities. They have expertise in supporting people with particularly complex needs, including autism spectrum conditions, behaviours which may challenge, mental health conditions, profound and multiple learning disabilities and associated complex health needs.

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## Consensus Support

<https://www.consensussupport.com/support/accommodation-and-services/residential-services/>

Consensus residential services offer support and accommodation for people with learning disabilities, autism and additional complex needs including Prader-Willi Syndrome.

## Cygnnet Health

<https://www.cygnethealth.co.uk/>

Cygnnet Health has a number of nationwide locations which provide specialist support for adults with autism and learning disabilities who may have complex needs and behaviours.

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## Home from Home Care

<https://www.homefromhomecare.com/our-services/hfhc-homes/>

Homes are personalised to suit the individual and located in villages within Lincolnshire with access to a good range of local amenities.

## Priory Adult Care

<https://www.prioryadultcare.co.uk/specialist-residential-services/>

Priory Adult Care provides a range of specialist residential and supported living services to support adults aged 18 and over with a learning disability, autism, brain injury, Prader-Willi Syndrome, behaviours that challenge or a mental health condition.

# Camphill Community Placements

## Nationwide

Camphill Community placements support and enable people with learning disabilities and other special needs to be nurtured in a community environment where their individual abilities and qualities can be recognised. To find out more about Camphill Communities, visit their website at <http://www.camphill.org.uk/>

### Camphill Milton Keynes

<http://camphillmk.co/>

#### Supported Living

Opportunities to take part in activities such as land craft, gardening, bakery, café, shop, theatre, art & craft, tech lab and newsletter workshops.

### Camphill St Albans

<https://www.camphillvillagetrust.org.uk/locations/st-albans/>

#### Supported Living

Offers workshops such as jewellery making, weaving, animation, ceramics and different ways of designing and printing. They also have a café.

### Croft Community - North Yorkshire

<https://www.camphillvillagetrust.org.uk/locations/croft-community/>

#### Supported Living

Supported work opportunities in the market garden, café and craft workshops.

### Delrow Community – Watford

<https://www.camphillvillagetrust.org.uk/locations/delrow-community/>

#### Residential care homes/supported living

Day placements - social farming, textiles, design, bakery, pottery, forest craft.

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### Devon Community – Devon

<https://www.camphilldevon.org.uk/>

Residential care home in Hapstead Village. Supported living is also provided in the Teignbridge and South Hams area of Devon.

Day Opportunities – horticulture, farming and crafts such as textiles, metalwork, jewellery, woodwork, pottery

### Gannicox Community – Gloucestershire

<http://www.gannicox.org/>

Supported Living provided through a separate organisation, Gannicox CIC. Supported work and opportunities in the garden, workshops and bakery.

### Glasallt Fawr - Carmarthen (Wales)

<http://www.glasallt-fawr.com/what-we-offer.html>

Residential care homes set on a 90-acre estate offering 24-hour care, 52 weeks of the year. Workshops include farming, gardening, animal care and weaving.

### Grange Village – Gloucestershire

<https://www.camphillvillagetrust.org.uk/locations/grange-village/>

Supported Living and Day Opportunities

Onsite activities that include a bakery, garden workshops and crafts.

### Hatch Community - Bristol

[www.hatchcommunity.org.uk](http://www.hatchcommunity.org.uk)

Supported Living

A range of accommodation styles from flats to community homes to suit individual needs. Workshops available in gardening, woodwork, weavery and crafts.

### Lantern Community – Hampshire

[www.lanterncommunity.org.uk](http://www.lanterncommunity.org.uk)

Residential home

Day Opportunities - Horticulture, weaving, pottery and felting. Opportunities to work in their shop, bakery, café.

Long-standing relationship with, and located adjacent to, Sheiling College.



### Larchfield Community – Middlesbrough

[www.camphillvillagetrust.org.uk/locations/larchfield-community](http://www.camphillvillagetrust.org.uk/locations/larchfield-community)

#### Supported Living

Community is set on 160 acres of rural farmland. Offers a range of day opportunities.

### Oaklands Park - Gloucestershire

<https://www.camphillvillagetrust.org.uk/locations/oaklands-park/>

#### Supported Living.

Situated within a 150-acre rural community which includes a livestock farm, 8-acre market garden, wood workshop and a weavery.

### Orchard Leigh – Gloucestershire

<http://orchardleigh.org/>

#### Supported Living

Onsite activities that include a bakery, garden workshops and craft - textile, felting, candle and paper crafts.

### Sturts Community Trust – Ferndown, Dorset

<http://www.sturtscommunitytrust.org.uk/>

Supported Living on the farm and in the local area.

Day Opportunities - organic farming, market garden,

Foodstore, market stall, Gullivers Farm Shop, creamery and art studio.

Long-standing relationship with, and located close to, Shelling College.

### Thornage Hall – Norfolk

<https://www.thornagehall.co.uk/>

#### Supported Living

Day Opportunities – Farming, woodwork, weaving and bakery.

### Victoria House – Wales (Part of Coleg Elidyr)

<https://colegelidyr.ac.uk/victoria-house/>

#### Supported Living

Opportunities in the onsite coffee shop.

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## Rural Residential & Supported Living

For those who benefit from wide open spaces and access to nature, a rural placement might be preferable. With options for both Supported Living and Residential provisions, rural placements can tailor the right level of support within gentle and therapeutic surroundings.

### Home from Home Care, Bardney, Lincolnshire

<https://www.homefromhomecare.com/>

The homes are personalised to suit the individual and are located in villages within Lincolnshire with access to a good range of local amenities.

### Kite House (Burridge Farm) Sandford, Devon

<http://www.autismcare.co.uk/burridge-farm/>

Crediton Care & Support Homes Limited aims to provide full and comprehensive support while still helping people to promote their own independence and retain their freedom and right to choose.

### Red Kite Court, Masiemore, Gloucestershire

<http://www.precious-homes.co.uk/service/red-kite-court/>

Red Kite Court is a 'supported living plus' service which has been designed to support both young people and older adults (18-65 years).

Red Kite Court supports individuals with the following needs:

- Learning Disabilities
- Autism
- Behaviours which may be described as challenging
- Young people in transition

### Stallcombe House, Woodbury, Exeter

<https://www.stallcombehouse.co.uk/>

A residential working environment for adults with a learning disability in a rural setting where each person is able to develop to the maximum of his/her ability, in their own time.

### The Old Rectory, Musbury, East Devon

<http://oldrectorymusbury.co.uk/>

The Old Rectory cares for and supports individuals with learning disabilities, autism and other associated complex health, behavioural and emotional needs.

### West Banbury Cottages, Lifton, Devon

<https://www.bornelcare.co.uk/west-banbury-cottages>

A new and welcoming group of cottages on the Devon/Cornwall border for people with learning disabilities and associated complex needs such as autism.

## Day Opportunities

### Dorset

Accessing day opportunities can be a great way for people with learning disabilities to engage in stimulating activities whilst being supported 1:1 or in a small group. Day Opportunity settings can support people to socially interact with others, promote access to the local community and provide the chance to explore vocational pathways that are of interest to them.

### Aspire Activity Group

<https://www.mylifemycare.com/article/6631/Aspire-Activity-Group>

Activity Group - arts and crafts, music making, games and friendship.

### Bournemouth Gateway Club

<https://bournemouthgateway.co.uk/>

Pool, darts, life skills, yoga, dance, sports including football, cricket, volleyball, basketball, table tennis, sensory story telling, healthy eating and weight management sessions, computing, arts and crafts, 'knit and natter'.

### Diverse Abilities

<https://diverseabilities.org.uk/adults/bee hive/>

The Beehive Day Service - activity and therapy centre - music, arts and crafts, cookery, gardening, fitness training, swimming and drama.

### Holtwood Community Farm, Holt

<http://holtwood-community-farm.co.uk/>

Explore and learn about the countryside, agriculture and horticulture whilst also developing independence, interpersonal skills and confidence.

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### High Mead Farm, Ferndown

<https://highmeadfarm.org.uk/>

Horticulture and gardening, animal husbandry, arts and crafts, woodwork and construction along with workshops and events throughout the year.

### Open Doors Training

<https://www.mylifemycare.com/open-doors-training>

Day Centre - ICT, all-female fitness and health including yoga, badminton, gym and street dance, music, arts and crafts, cooking, bowling and days out. They also offer an evening friendship group.

### Out and About Dorset, Poole

[www.poolefamilyinformationdirectory.com](http://www.poolefamilyinformationdirectory.com)

Onsite activities and offsite trips tailored to individual/group wishes. Educational qualifications offered.

### Sturts Community Farm, Ferndown

<http://www.sturtscommunitytrust.org.uk/>

Organic farm, market garden, food store, market stall, Gullivers Farm Shop, creamery and art studio.

### Tricuro Day Services

<https://www.tricuro.co.uk/services/day-services/>

Care homes, care in your own home and a variety of day services.

- Wallisdown Plus
- Boscombe Connect & King's Park Allotment Project
- Bridport Connect
- Blandford Connect
- Christchurch Connect
- Dorchester Connect
- Parkstone Connect
- Portland Connect
- Purbeck Connect
- Stour Connect
- Sherborne Connect
- Swanage Connect
- Weymouth Connect
- Verwood Connect



### Victoria Horticulture (Poole)

[www.victoria.poole.sch.uk/services/victoria-horticulture](http://www.victoria.poole.sch.uk/services/victoria-horticulture)

Day Service - horticulture activities: planting seeds, pruning within the gardens, creating hanging baskets for the community or harvesting the vegetables.

### Well 4 Life

<https://www.mylifemycare.com/well-4-life>

Drama/dance, friendship, outings, sport, exercise and fitness.

### Windward Day Services

[www.windward-dayservices.co.uk/](http://www.windward-dayservices.co.uk/)

The Helix - gym, sailing, golf, horticulture, singing, drama, art and crafts, offsite trips, mechanics, work experience, life skills, cooking, tennis, yoga, swimming. Also offer a Saturday Club.

## Day Opportunities

### Hampshire

#### QE2 Activity Centre, Southampton

[www.qe2activitycentre.co.uk](http://www.qe2activitycentre.co.uk)

Mon-Fri (9:30-3:30) Cost: £60 per day

The Greenhouse - developing work, independent living skills and active leisure. Gardening, woodwork and catering.

Gold Day Service - Therapeutic Service - sensory room, music therapy, arts and crafts, yoga, cooking, outdoor activities including motorboat trips, bushcraft sessions and archery.

Team Q - swimming, going to the gym, taking part in onsite activities.

#### Southampton Special Purpose Workshop

<http://www.sspw.co.uk/>

Woodwork, garage, crafts and a canteen. The farm is located in Durley and the shop is in Woolston with leisure activities in the community.

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### Stable Family Home Trust, Ringwood

[www.sfht.org.uk](http://www.sfht.org.uk)

Day service - gardening, pottery, arts and crafts and fitness

### The Lantern Community, Ringwood

<https://www.mylifemycare.com/the-lantern-community>

Pottery, weavery, bakery, horticulture, land craft, wood craft, art studio, seasonal craft, shop and café.

Long-standing relationship with, and located adjacent to, Sheiling College.

### Way Ahead, Southampton

[www.dayservicesouthampton.co.uk](http://www.dayservicesouthampton.co.uk)

A comprehensive range of exciting day services for adults with learning disabilities.

- Chestnut Theatre Company
- Day Services Southampton
- The Way Ahead Community Group

### Windward Day Services

[www.windward-dayservices.co.uk/](http://www.windward-dayservices.co.uk/)

Interesting and meaningful variety of day activities.

- Thrive - Chandlers Ford (Mon-Fri)
- Windward - Totton (Mon-Fri)
- Spiral Blue - Ringwood (Mon-Fri)
- Cheers - New Milton (Weds & Fri)

# Further Education Placements

## Nationwide

If you are considering additional educational after completion of the 3-year Sheiling College study programme, there are a number of Specialist Colleges across the UK. Please visit the Natspec website where you can input your criteria and an individualised search will be generated for you.

<https://natspec.org.uk/find-a-college/search/>

## Alternative Education Placements

Following a three year course at Sheiling College, you may wish to explore some alternative education options where education can continue in an alternative setting. These Alternative Education settings often take place with a focus on accessing the community to continue building towards independence and vocational opportunities.

### All Sort'd

<http://www.allsortd.org/services>

All Sort'd build a package around what a particular individual needs to learn so that they can gain independence in their own community. Primarily offering support through 3 main areas: living, work and learning.

### Employ My Ability (Age 16-25)

<https://employmyability.org.uk>

A unique environment where young people can learn more about hospitality, horticulture, animal studies and retail facilities in order to help students with learning disabilities and special educational needs & disabilities develop vital skills, expertise and confidence.

### Out & About Dorset

<https://www.facebook.com/outandaboutdorset> <http://www.poolefamilyinformationdirectory.com/kb5/poole/fis/service.page?id=RHen9bCYjuE>

A day care facility with the option for further education for adults with severe to moderate learning difficulties. Out & About Dorset pride themselves on having fantastic facilities where people can practise those all-important functional skills on a regular basis.

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# Further education

## SWRAC – South West Regional Assessment Centre

<http://www.swrac.ac.uk>

Preparing young adults for adulthood within a day provision. 'Thrive' is based in Merley House and focuses on developing learning and life skills to promote independence as a stepping stone to adulthood.

## General Further Education Placements

On completion of a three year course at Sheiling College, continuing education may be a suitable option. Further education colleges can offer a range of programmes which can be tailored to suit the needs and abilities of each student including functional and vocational skills and can be accessed on a part time basis.

### Bournemouth and Poole College – Foundation Learning Courses (Ages 16-25)

[www.thecollege.co.uk/what-to-study/curriculum-areas/foundation-learning/foundation-learning](http://www.thecollege.co.uk/what-to-study/curriculum-areas/foundation-learning/foundation-learning)

The college has a range of programmes suited to students ranging from Entry 1 to Level 1 work to develop functional and vocational skills as well as preparing for employment.

### Brockenhurst College

<https://www.brock.ac.uk/adult/adult-education/adult-inclusive-learning/>

Part-time courses for adults with learning differences and disabilities are provided across the college.

Courses cover a variety of topics and skills including arts and crafts, cookery, choir, music, drama and dance.

### Kingston Maurward College - Foundation Learning Course (Age 16+)

[www.thecollege.co.uk/what-to-study/curriculum-areas/foundation-learning/foundation-learning](http://www.thecollege.co.uk/what-to-study/curriculum-areas/foundation-learning/foundation-learning)

The college offers four different foundation programmes to meet the individual's needs ranging from Entry 1 to Level 1 with routes into different industries such as agriculture, welding, fabrication, blacksmithing, animal welfare, countryside, equine, horticulture, construction and outdoor adventure including work placements.



## Camphill Further Education

### Camphill Wakefield

<https://employmyability.org.uk>

Providing engaging environments for young people with SEND and autism to increase independence, communication and employability with options of residential and day provision.

### Coleg Elidyr

<https://www.colegelidyr.ac.uk>

Specialist residential further education college set within a 180-acre site in rural Carmarthenshire with options of residential and day provision.

### The Mount Camphill Community

<http://www.mountcamphill.org/>

The Mount Independent Specialist College is part of a Camphill Community which provides engaged learning in a holistic environment with options of residential and day provision.



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