

# Bridges To Success



A group of Norfolk care leavers in partnership with the Virtual School for Children in Care would like to invite you to their conference.

Bridges to success has been steered by a group of Norfolk's care leavers. This conference offers the opportunity to discuss and learn about young people in and leaving care and what things they feel are essential to lead them on the path to success.

**Date: Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2012**

<b>Times:</b>	<b>Registration</b>	<b>Start</b>	<b>Finish</b>
	10.00 – 10.25	10.30	3.30

**Venue: King's Centre, Kings Street, Norwich, NR1 1PH**

## Welcome & Introduction

Councillor Tom Garrod,  
Deputy Cabinet Member  
Children's Services

## Presentations

- Young People
- Andy Pickering,  
Senior Employability  
Worker, National Care  
Advisory Service
- Gordon Boyd,  
Manager for Education  
Strategy and Partnership  
Development, Norfolk  
County Council

## Who should attend?

- Social Workers
- Foster Carers
- Residential Workers
- IROs
- Teachers & Tutors
- Training Providers
- Job Centre + Advisors
- Family Support Workers
- Duty Workers
- Guidance Advisors
- Any one who works with  
care leavers

**The conference will focus on ways you can help care leavers make the right decisions and reach their full potential. It will include workshops that will provide knowledge of what works best and what is important from young people themselves.**

10.00	Coffee & Registration
10.30	Introductions & Welcome - Councillor Tom Garrod
10.40	National Perspective - Andy Pickering, Senior Employability Worker, National Care Advisory Service (NCAS)
11.15	Workshops x 5
12.15	Young people's guide to being a pushy parent
12.30	LUNCH
1.15	Raising the Participation Age - Gordon Boyd, Manager for Education Strategy and Partnership Development, Norfolk County Council
1.45	Workshops x 5 (Repeat of morning workshops)
2.45	Questions & Answer session led by young people
3.15	DVD première
3.30	Finish



## Bridges to Success Booking Form

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There will be a choice of 5 workshops which we will ask you to sign up to on the day. Details of the workshops follow – get ready to make your choice as you will only be able to do two. One in the morning and one after lunch

**Money's not Funny:** Money difficulties & budgeting

**Learning to Deal with it:** How young peoples past can affect the present, dealing with failure, stress etc.

**Let's Talk:** All about communication from staff / carers to young people and back the other way

**Toolkit for Success:** What advice is need & when about courses, training, jobs, letter writing & CV's

**How relationships can affect Motivation:** Positive and negative relationships and how these can affect self-motivation

**There are limited places so make sure you send your booking form back straight away so that you get a place**

Name:

Job Title / role:

Organisation:

Tel:

Email:

Please return completed booking forms to [claire.read@norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:claire.read@norfolk.gov.uk) or **FAO Claire Read, PDC Room 17, Woodside Road, Norwich, NR7 9QL.**

You will receive a confirmation email to let you know you have a place and further details about the course once the booking form has been processed.

**Hope to see you there!**