

# Confident Choices SEND Careers Conference National Careers Picture

## **Session Overview**

- What is Career?
- Why bother?
- What do we 'have to' do?
- What else 'should' we do?



## What is Career?

 An occupation undertaken for a significant period of a person's life and with opportunities for progress.

#### Oxford University Press

 A career is an individual's metaphorical "journey" through learning, work and other aspects of life. There are a number of ways to define a career, and the term is used in a variety of ways.

#### Wikopedia

• the job or series of jobs that you do during your working life, especially if you continue to get better jobs and earn more money

#### Cambridge University Press

 A career is the job or profession that someone does for a long period of their life. ... Your career is the part of your life that you spend working

Collins Dictionary



# Why Bother?

#### **To Communities:**

Increased participation
 Less dissatisfaction
 Increased community cohesion
 Reduced crime/anti-social behaviour
 More positive communities
 Better physical & mental health
 Reduced demand on services
 Reduced numbers of NEET

#### To Individuals:

Raised aspirations & confidence

 Increased motivation

 Awareness of real opportunities
 Understanding of relationship between own skills & labour market needs
 Improved career management skills

 Improved ability to progress successfully through key transition points
 Improved financial literacy

# To Learning Organisations:

Improved motivationIncreased attainmentBetter programme completionSustainability

#### **Benefits of High Quality**

Increased entrepreneurship

#### **To Business/Employers:**

More motivated workforce
 Greater corporate responsibility
 Staff committed to training
 Better skilled staff
 More creative staff
 Increased productivity
 Improved recruitment & retention
 Sustainability



#### To the Economy:

•Reduced staff turnover
•Maximising & capitalising on talent
•Higher productivity/increased GDP
•Agile, mobile & flexible workforce
•Increased entrepreneurship
•More social enterprise
•Active retirement/dynamic Third Age
•Reduced social welfare cost
•Leveraging diversity



# **Background and Context**

Education Act Amendment 2011 – introduced a statutory duty on schools in England to secure to independent and impartial careers guidance for their pupils in year 9-11. This duty came into force in September 2012.

- Greater freedom for schools and academies to serve their communities
- Vary levels of consistency 47 national Connexions partnerships to 152 local education authorities to approximately 3500 schools.
- Career provision is 'patchy'



# **Careers Statutory Guidance**



Careers guidance and access for education and training providers

Statutory guidance for governing bodies, school leaders and school staff

- Access for education and training providers
- Publish name and contact details of their careers leader
- Publish their careers programmes
- Meet Gatsby Benchmarks by end of 2020

January 2018



# **Good Careers Guidance – Gatsby Benchmarks**



- 1. A stable careers programme
- 2. Learning from career and labour market information
- 3. Addressing the needs of each pupil
- 4. Linking curriculum learning to careers
- 5. Encounters with employers and employees
- 6. Experiences of workplaces
- 7. Encounters with further and higher education
- 8. Personal guidance



# **Careers Statutory Guidance**

Careers guidance for pupils with special educational needs or disabilities

The Gatsby Benchmarks outline the experiences and information that every young person should have to make an informed choice about their future. They set a high bar, but the overwhelming majority of young people with SEND, including those with high levels of needs, are capable of sustainable paid employment with the right preparation and support. We recognise that some of the Gatsby Benchmarks need different interpretation in special schools and for some SEND pupils In mainstream schools. **Paragraph 48** 

Statutory Guidance: 'Career Guidance and Access for Education and Training Providers' – 06.1.18 updated October 2018COMPLETE

# DfE on Quality Assurance Stage 1

Over 3000 schools and colleges are now using Compass, a self-evaluation tool developed by Gatsby and The Careers & Enterprise Company. Compass works by asking schools to answer a series of questions about what careers provision they offer. On completing the questions, the school will receive a confidential report showing how they compare to the Gatsby Benchmarks. Over time a school can return to the tool, see their previous results and repeat the assessment as provision develops'. Paragraph 16

Statutory Guidance: 'Career Guidance and Access for Education and **Training Providers' – 06.1.18 updated October 2018** 







# DfE on Quality Assurance Stage 2

Statutory Guidance: 'Career Guidance and Access for Education and Training Providers' – 06.1.18 updated October 2018

"The Government strongly recommends that all schools work towards the updated Quality in Careers Standard, incorporating Compass, to support the development of their career, "amme" paragraph 20

The Quality in Careers Standard >>>>



## **Ofsted and Careers**

#### Good

Secondary schools prepare pupils Secondary schools prepare pupils for future success in education, employment or training. They use the Gatsby Benchmarks to develop and improve their careers provision and enable a range of education and training providers to speak to pupils in Years 8 to 13. All pupils receive unbiased information about potential next steps and high-quality careers guidance. The school provides good quality, meaningful opportunities for pupils to encounter the world of work work.

#### Inadequate

The school does not ensure that pupils get access to unbiased information about potential next steps, high-quality careers guidance and opportunities for encounters with the world of work



# **Specialist Publications**

good-career-guidanceperspectives-from-the-sendsector.pdf (gatsby.org.uk)

careers-enterprise-what-worksreport-transition-prog.pdf.pdf (careersandenterprise.co.uk)

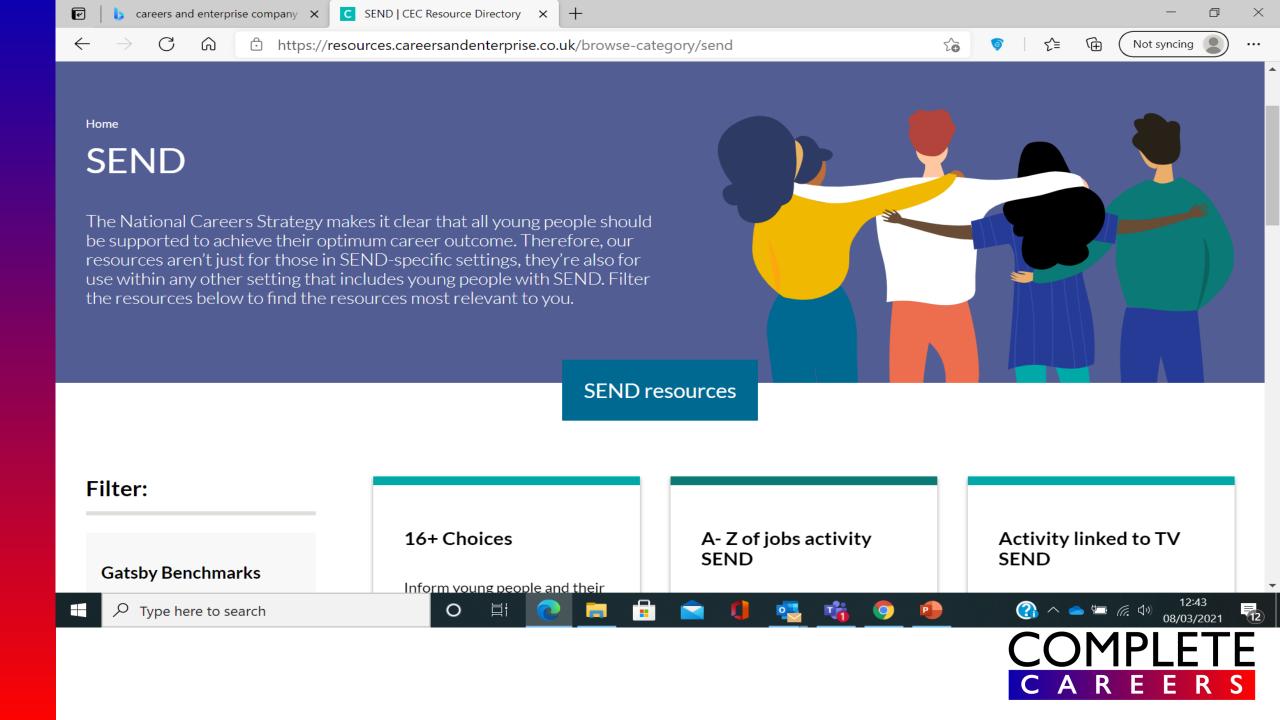
send-gatsby-benchmarktoolkit.pdf (base-uk.org)

Info | Compass (careersandenterprise.co.uk)

#### **Compass Feedback**

- Trial of SEND Enterprise Coordinators
- SEND Gatsby Toolkit
- Compass for Special Schools
- SEND Community of Practice





# Main Issue

The focus of the agenda is on what schools should be doing, rather than the knowledge, skills and attitudes young people should be developing to enable them to be effective career planners and make successful transitions



# Learner experience – Splattergun



Think: Intent/Implementation/Impact!



# **Career Frameworks**

#### **Outputs**



'Hitting the benchmarks, but missing the point'

#### **Learning Outcomes**





# **New CDI Framework**

Seeing the big picture

Balancing life and work

Creating opportunities

Managing Career

Exploring possibilities

Grow through life

CDI-Framework-Jan2020-web.pdf (thecdi.net)



# White paper - Skills for Jobs: Lifelong Learning for Opportunity and Growth

#### **Commitments**

- Requiring schools to provide independent career guidance from year 7.
- Publishing updated statutory guidance for careers.
- Supporting and strengthening the 'Baker clause'.
- Continuing the rollout of the Careers Hubs.
- Investing in more training for careers leaders.
- Revamping the National Careers Service website.

#### **Reviews and Future Plans**

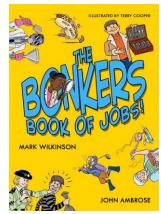
- Asking Ofsted to undertake a thematic review of career guidance.
- Seeking greater alignment of The Careers & Enterprise Company and the National Careers Service to create an all-age careers system.
- Increasing the focus on careers in teachers' training and professional development.



# **Our Services**







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- Consultancy



# Empowering people to make successful transitions and achieve their career potential



# Thank you for listening





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