

## Youth Unemployment

### Project Plan – Scoping Document Draft version – April 2012

#### **Objective of the Review**

To consider the factors which influence youth unemployment in Torbay and to facilitate partnership working across the public, private and third sectors to address the issue.

#### **Scope of the Review**

1. To understand the issues facing young people looking for work and the providers, services and initiatives available to assist them.
2. To consider the views of employers on their needs and how young people are equipped with the skills that are demanded.
3. To ensure that Council policies support youth employment.

#### **Constraints**

This review will look at the situation for young people leaving full-time education until the age of 25 years.

#### **Rationale for the Review**

The Labour Market Statistics, published by the Office for National Statistics in April 2012, show that 8.2% of 16-24 year olds in Torbay are claiming Job Seekers Allowance. This is an increase of 0.2% since March 2011 and equates to 1110 young people. The same statistics show that 2.4% of this age group have been claiming for over six months (an increase of 1.6% since March 2011).

There are a range of agencies within Torbay operating a number of schemes and initiatives aimed at helping to get young people into work.

If you would like to be involved in this review, please email [scrutiny@torbay.gov.uk](mailto:scrutiny@torbay.gov.uk) or telephone [name of support officer] on 01803 20 [xxx]

## **Expected outcome of the Review**

(What is the Panel expected to produce at the end of the review – e.g. a revised/new policy for adoption, a report on which a decision can be made about future service provision)

[To be completed]

## **Consultees (sources of evidence)**

Young People  
Torbay Council – Children’s Services Directorate  
Torbay Development Agency  
Careers South West  
Secondary Schools  
South Devon College  
Job Centre Plus  
Third Sector Organisations

## **Key Timings**

[To be completed]

## **Selected key documents**

## **Review panel membership**

Councillor Addis  
Councillor Cowell  
Councillor Kingscote (Place Scrutiny Lead)  
Councillor James  
Councillor Pentney (Business Scrutiny Lead)

It is anticipated that the [Overview and Scrutiny Board/Health Scrutiny Board] will consider the report of the Panel in [Month and Year]. Once the report has been adopted it will be forwarded to the appropriate decision maker(s) for consideration.