

# **POST 16/18 PROGRESSION PATHWAYS**

# Raising the Participation Age

- All young people are required to stay in learning until 18
- Why?
  - Gain skills and qualifications to be successful for future lives
- What counts as “learning”?
  - Full time education at school or college
  - Study Programme / Traineeships
  - Apprenticeships / work with training
  - Volunteering with training
  - Self Employment

# Choices **at 16+**

- School 6<sup>th</sup> Form / 6<sup>th</sup> Form College
- Further education college
- Apprenticeships
- Pathways study Programmes / Traineeships
- Foundation courses
- Employment / Self Employment with recognised training
- Volunteering with training



# Learning routes & Qualification levels

How many GCSEs have you got or will you be getting?	Type of learning	How long will it take?
At least 4 GCSE grades C or above or equivalent	<b>LEVEL 3</b> ----- AS/A level courses; BTEC National and other vocational Level 3 courses Apprenticeships	2 years
At least 4 GCSE grades at D/E or equivalent	<b>LEVEL 2</b> ----- Level 2 courses Apprenticeships	1 – 2 years
Some GCSE grades D/E/F or equivalent	<b>LEVEL 1</b> ----- Level 1 courses Pathway programmes Traineeships	1 – 2 years
No GCSE passes	<b>ENTRY LEVEL</b> Foundation courses Pathway programmes Traineeships	1 – 3 years

# SUFFOLK

Suffolk is a diverse county consisting of modern towns, old villages, ancient castles, forests, heath, farmland and 45 miles of coastline. Although mostly a rural county, there are some large towns such as Ipswich and Lowestoft. Suffolk is home to the largest container port in Europe at Felixstowe and has two nuclear power stations at Sizewell. In the west of the county the historic town of Bury St Edmunds attracts many tourists and Newmarket is home to a famous race course.

# The key sectors that are growing in Suffolk are:

- Energy - particularly renewable 8,000
- Tourism, Leisure & Retail 30,000
- Food and Drink 19,000
- Biotechnology and Life Sciences 1,500
- Telecommunications 6,500
- Creative industries 6,000
- Shipping and logistics 13,000
- Advanced Manufacturing 35,000

# Other Sectors

- Banking and Insurance
- Health and Social Care 34,000
  
- 333,600 employed IN Suffolk 74% of population 61% employed with 13% self-employed
- Average weekly wage in Suffolk £440

# Choices at 18+

- APPRENTICESHIPS
- HIGHER EDUCATION
- EMPLOYMENT WITH TRAINING
- GAP YEAR



# Online Sources of Information

- Suffolk's website for young people

[www.thesource.me.uk](http://www.thesource.me.uk)

- Suffolk's online prospectus

[www.future4me.org](http://www.future4me.org)

- National Careers Service

<https://nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk>