

# Services for Young People in Mole Valley Commission Performance Summary 2012/13



## 1 Performance narrative

### 1.1 Countywide overview

2012/13 has been a year of transition in Services for Young People, during which we have established a range of new commissions and services that prepare and help young people to participate in education, training and employment when they leave school. At the end of March 2013, this new system of services had reduced the number of young people who are NEET (not in education, employment or training) by 12% when compared to the same time last year - a real success for young people in the county.

### 1.2 Local performance story in Mole Valley

Looking at the county as a whole, Services for Young People has had a successful year, but the reason for this report is to tell the local story of how the different commissions managed by the Commissioning and Development Team have been making a difference to young people in Mole Valley. This means highlighting areas of strength, as well as where we want to develop during 2013/14.

#### Key achievements for the year

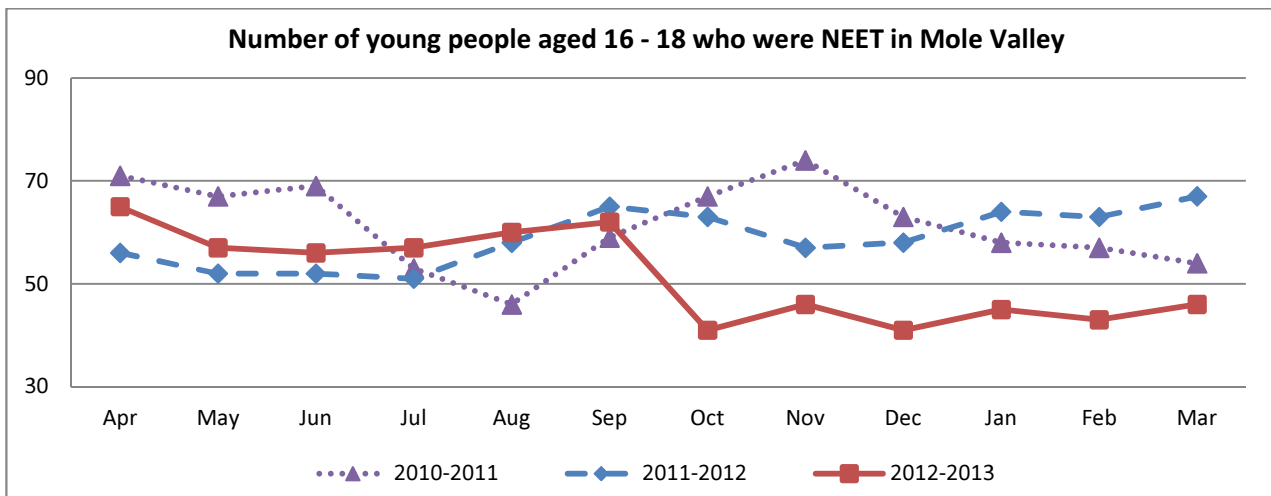
- The number of young people who are NEET has reduced from 76 in March 2012 to 57 in March 2013, meaning Mole Valley has the second lowest proportion in the county (2.5%). The number of young people whose current activity is unknown has also reduced from 191 to 145 in the same period.
- Both Mole Valley Local Prevention Framework providers have delivered strongly in their work to engage and support young people who have been identified as most at risk of becoming NEET when they leave school. The Leatherhead Youth Project engaged 76 young people in an average of 34.6 sessions of activity, the highest level achieved by any provider in the county. Alongside this, The Youth Consortium engaged with 99 young people, 167% more than their agreed performance.
- Surrey County Council Youth Centres in Mole Valley delivered 1,472 hours of youth work during 2012-13, compared to 1,204 hours during 2011-12, an increase of more than 20%. Alongside this, the quality of youth work is also improving, as evidenced by progress towards the Surrey National Youth Agency (NYA) Quality Mark.
- We have successfully supported 61 of the 66 young people who were identified as at risk of becoming NEET in Year 11 into post-16 education, training and employment, the second highest proportion in Surrey.
- Skills Centre recruitment has exceeded expectations, providing training to 17 young people in the first half of the academic year.

#### Key areas for development

- The Bridge Youth Centre has achieved Level 1 of the National Youth Agency Quality Mark. Ashted and the Malthouse centres are working towards this standard.
- As we have reduced the number of young people who are NEET in Mole Valley, there has been an increase in the length of time those remaining NEET have been out of education, employment or training. In March 2012 the average was 191 days, whereas in March 2013 it was 217. Bringing this down whilst continuing to reduce NEET will be a key challenge in 2013/14.
- 814 young people have accessed careers and education information, advice and guidance in Mole Valley Schools, during 2012/13. We will be looking to build on this further in 2013/14.

## 2 Participation of young people in Mole Valley

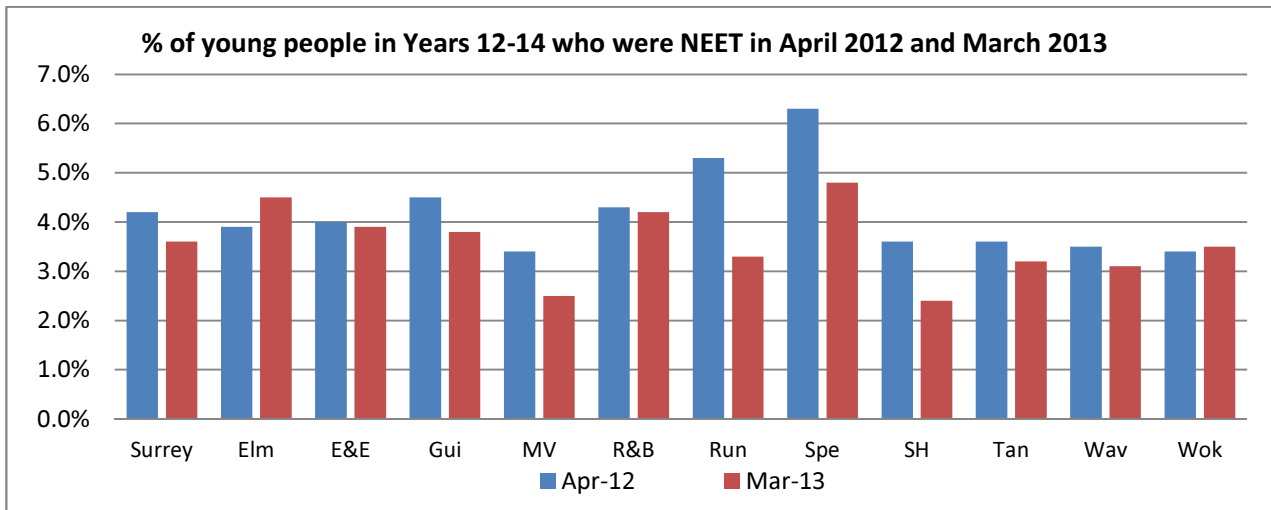
Since October, the number and proportion of young people who are NEET has been lower than it was for the same period in 2011-12. This represents real progress in improving outcomes for young people.



At the end of the year, Mole Valley had the second lowest proportion of young people who were NEET in Surrey, at only 2.5%, a significant improvement on 3.4% at the start of the year.

During the year, at least 89 young people moved from being NEET into post-16 participation in the district.

The district also ended the year with the second highest proportion of young people identified as at risk of becoming NEET in Year 11 who were participating in Year 12; at 92.4% (only 5 of 66 were NEET).



Alongside progress to reduce NEET, we have also reduced the number of young people in years 12-14 whose current activity was unknown from 191 in March 2012 to 145 in March 2013.

At the end of March, a third of young people who were NEET in Mole Valley had previously experienced at least one other period when they were NEET, higher than the countywide average of 26%.

Less than five young people who were identified as at risk of becoming NEET offended between April and December 2012.

### 3 How have our commissions performed during 2012/13?

Centre Based Youth Work (Total contract value 2012/13 £31,211 plus 5.52 Full-Time Equivalents)

Centre	Hours delivered	Young people engaged	Average attendances per young person	Level 1 of NYA Quality mark achieved?	Young people involved in governance	RONI and YRI young people engaged
Ashtead	585	310	9.3	No	26	46
Malthouse	116	143	6.1	No	0	38
The Bridge	663	283	10.2	Yes	37	69
Bookham (Satellite)	68	49	8.8	N/A	N/A	3

#### Local prevention framework

Provider	Contract Value 2012/13 (£)	Young people engaged	Average sessions per young person
Leatherhead Youth Project	49,000	76	34.6
The Youth Consortium	49,000	99	6.2

#### Year 11/12 Transition

Provider	Contract Value 2012/13 (£)	Young people engaged	Young people PETE in January 2013
East Surrey College	£41,000	54	49

#### Youth Engagement Contract

Provider	Contract Value 2012/13 (£) (pro-rated against 10-19 population)	Young people accessing U-Explore in Mole Valley Schools and post-16 learning providers	Young people accessing other online youth engagement services
Working Links	38,300	814	TBC

#### Youth Small Grants

The £17,000 allocated to the Mole Valley Local Committee for Youth Small Grants was allocated across 6 projects to support work with young people across the District. A full update on progress so far is provided in the other appendix to this report.

#### Skills Centres

The Mole Valley Skills Centre opened during 2012/13, with a view to providing formal training and support to young people who would otherwise be NEET. Recruitment to this centre in Mole Valley has exceeded expectations, providing training to 17 young people in the first half of the academic year.

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