

Council: 12 September 2006

Administration Policy Item: Cllr. Matthew Offord

Apprenticeships for Looked after Children

Council notes that there are currently around 380 children in Barnet's care.

Council regrets that, currently, the level of educational and skills attainment by these young people remains below average.

Council is determined to improve the life chances of Looked-After Children, and recognises that it is also a large employer, capable of developing an enhancing the skills of its employees and trainees.

Council accordingly asks Cabinet to develop a policy to give Apprenticeships at the Council to Looked-After Children aged 16, so that it may drastically improve their skills, experience, and ultimately, their chances in life.