

Children & Young People's Committee: **Post 16 Education & Skills**

Tuesday 12th July 2022

Agenda

- The Hampshire Skills (Post 16) System
- Participation and Attainment by young people, Post 16
- Technical Education Reforms – T-levels
- Skills & Post 16 Education Act Inc. Skills Governance
- Higher Skills

The Hampshire Skills (Post 16) System

- Largest single-area FE system in the UK
- Colleges are independent Corporations or Trusts (1992 F&HE Act) – outside LA regulation or assurance (exc. some aspects of SEND)
- 35,200 funded 16-19/25 places (977 High Needs) at Hampshire-based providers – 89% in an FE college
- C. 25% of the cohort non-Hampshire residents
- £181m in 2021/22 (increase from £167m) exc. HN top-up, apprenticeships, adult learning, higher education, fees
- All colleges rated Good/better, supporting high levels of participation and attainment...

Participation by young people, Post 16

- LA under a duty to support transition, post 16, and participation in education, employment, training (EET)
- September Guarantee (28,600 cohort) – 97.5% of 16/17 year olds offered an EET place. Compares to 94.3% England, 90.9% SE
- In May 2002, EET for 16/17 year olds was 96%, NEET 4.1% combined – NEET 2.3% (665), Unknown 1.9% (551). Compares to 2021 ave. 5.5% England, 6.4% SE
- *Approx. 50% of those participating are following Level 3 A-level, c. 23% Level 3 Technical, c. 20% Level 2 (inc. GCSE), c. 4% Apprenticeship
- **based on year 12 activity survey*

Attainment by young people, Post 16

- In 2020/21, the proportion of young people achieving a full Level 2 (including English and maths) by age 19 was above national and SE regional averages, as was those achieving a full Level 3.
- Level 3 achievement by age 19 by those previously entitled to FSM and/or with an EHCP was below national and SE regional averages.
- Level 2 achievement (including English and maths) by age 19 by those formerly entitled to FSM and/or with an EHCP was below the national and SE regional averages for the FSM cohort but above for those with an EHCP.
- The average grade for those achieving a Level 3 A-level, Tech-level, or General Applied qualifications was above the national average (2019)
- Post 16 progress in GCSE English and maths is above national and SE averages (2019)

Technical Education Reforms – T-levels

- New Level 3 Technical qualifications, developed with employers – mirroring new Apprenticeship standards in over 20 subject
- Replacing other Level 3 Technical qualifications – BTEC, OCR Nationals
- Two-year programmes, equivalent to 3 x A levels – progression to work/higher Apprenticeship and/or University (UCAS points)
- 1500 guided hours, 45-days work experience (min) – reliant on employer engagement (financial incentives)
- First cohort started September 2020, completes summer 2022
- DfE implementation programme and development funding to 2024/5 – awarded on a competitive basis – revenue and capital
- Pre-T transition programme – Level 2

Skills & Post 16 Education Act

“...transform the skills and training landscape and level up opportunities across the country”

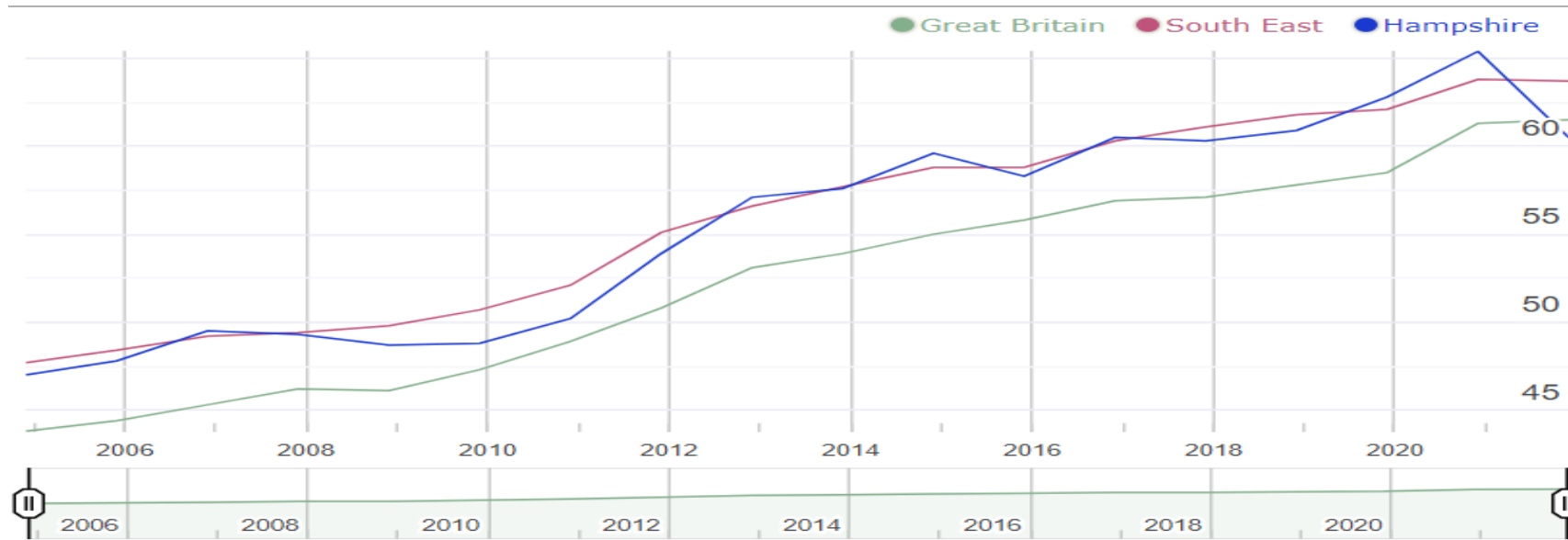
- Employers at the heart of the skills system (LSIPs)
- Access to information on Technical qualifications for all ('Baker Law') – T-level, Apprenticeships, Traineeships
- Prioritising Green Skills
- Lifetime HE Loans (from 2025)
- New powers of intervention in FE
- Making it an offence to cheat in exams...

Skills Governance

“...Local Skills Improvement Partnerships (LSIPs) will set out a clear articulation of employers’ skills needs, and the priority changes required in a local area”

- Replacing LEP Skills Panels, led by an Employer Representative Body (ERB) – not LA or LEP
- To be established by Summer 2023 – first review 2024
- Combined Authority or LEP geography – x2 in Hampshire
- £550k funding for first three years
- Not commissioning bodies – but colleges/providers must take account of skills needs (accountability measures)

Higher Skills in Hampshire– NVQ L3+ Working Pop. (ONS.21)



| Date | Hampshire | Hampshire (%) | South East (%) | Great Britain (%) |
|-------------------|-----------|---------------|----------------|-------------------|
| Jan 2017-Dec 2017 | 494,500 | 60.3 | 61.1 | 57.1 |
| Jan 2018-Dec 2018 | 499,200 | 60.9 | 61.8 | 57.8 |
| Jan 2019-Dec 2019 | 513,000 | 62.8 | 62.1 | 58.5 |
| Jan 2020-Dec 2020 | 537,700 | 65.4 | 63.8 | 61.3 |
| Jan 2021-Dec 2021 | 492,700 | 60.5 | 63.7 | 61.5 |

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