

The Marches Careers Hub supports institutions within the local authority areas of Herefordshire, Shropshire and Telford & Wrekin and works to transform careers education across The Marches region by linking education with business and helping secondary schools and colleges achieve the Gatsby Benchmarks of world class careers guidance. More information around these benchmarks can be found here.

Careers Hubs are a central part of the government's careers strategy which aims, through funding the <u>Careers & Enterprise Company</u> and its network of careers hubs, to help all secondary schools and colleges implement high quality careers guidance to support young people in making more informed decisions around their future choices.

The Marches Careers Hub team are embedded within the Marches Local Enterprise Partnership and its local authority partners across Herefordshire, Shropshire and Telford & Wrekin. The team is headed by a Hub Lead and supported by specialist Enterprise Co-ordinators in each of the local authority areas. Camille Mortimer and Shelley Robinson undertake this role in Shropshire and support its schools and colleges to ensure that high quality careers guidance is delivered to all pupils and students. The Hub is also supported by a network of Enterprise Advisers, drawn from the local business community, who share their knowledge and experience around job opportunities, key skills and recruitment to inspire and raise aspirations of young people. Key employers in the region also help bridge the gap between schools and the world of work; these include AICO, Grainger & Worrall, Muller, Cap Gemini, SNG Barratt, Wrekin Housing Trust, Robert Jones & Agnes Hunt Orthopaedic Hospital and numerous smaller companies and organisations.

The Hub organises regular activities to support careers staff in schools and colleges to help them stay up to date with the latest news and developments in careers guidance and also maintain an overview of the current and future jobs market, both nationally and locally. It also delivers sessions specifically for parents, carers and young people to help understand and navigate the various pathways available, for example, the new T Level qualifications.

If you would like to find out more about the work of the Marches Careers Hub, then please visit our website or contact the team at careershub@marcheslep.org.uk