

All-Party Parliamentary Group for Youth Employment



Making Youth Employment Policy Work

Deadline for submissions – 5pm on 7th November 2020.

Please note submissions may be rejected if they do not meet the guidance set out below.

Focus of the inquiry

Before the Covid-19 crisis began there were approximately 750,000 young people not in employment, education or training (NEET). Youth unemployment is expected to continue to rise as the economic impacts of Covid-19 are fully realised; the Resolution Foundation, the Institute for Employment Studies and the Learning and Work institute have predicted there will be at least 600,000 more unemployed young people, with a further 500,000 expected to become NEET over the next 18 months.

Following the £3.06bn government investment into new and existing youth employment initiatives in the summer, is there any sign of tensions in the systems and areas where young people can fall through the gaps? In this inquiry we will explore the key youth employment programmes and see what the early indicators of success are, it will aim to provide constructive feedback to the government to accelerate impact or where improvements need to be made if there are tensions in the system.

- Are the summer's announcements #PlanForJobs ambitious enough to address the youth unemployment challenge?
- Are their gaps and tensions that may cause a rise in further inequalities amongst groups of young people such as those furthest from the labour market?
- What more needs to be done to accelerate impact and ensure no young person is left behind?

Submissions should be emailed to josh@youthemployment.org.uk by the 7th November 2020, no later than 5pm.

Meeting Dates 2020

21st September -external organisations will be invited to give evidence

19th October -external organisations will be invited to give evidence

December TBC -a Minister will be invited to give evidence and receive a copy of the Inquiry Report.



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PLEASE NOTE YOUTH EMPLOYMENT UK WILL RETURN ANY SUBMISSIONS THAT DO NOT ADHERE TO THE FOLLOWING GUIDANCE FOR SUBMITTING EVIDENCE.

Guidance on giving evidence to an All-Party Parliamentary Group

If you have difficulty making a submission by email, wish to submit evidence in an alternative format such as an audio file, or would like to make a submission after the formal deadline for evidence, please contact the secretariat for the APPG for Youth Employment.

Guidelines

To successfully make a submission documents need to:

- Be less than 25 MB in size
- Be in Word (doc, docx, rtf, txt ooxml or odt format, **not PDF**)
- Contain as few logos or embedded pictures as possible
- Does not contain text boxes
- Contain no macros
- Comprise a single document. If there are any annexes or appendices, these should be included in the same document.

It also assists the APPG if those submitting evidence adhere to the following guidelines. Each submission should:

- State clearly who the submission is from, i.e. whether from yourself in a personal capacity or sent on behalf of an organisation, for example the submission could be headed 'Written evidence submitted by xxxxxx'
- Be concise – we recommend no more than 3,000 words in length, unless otherwise stated in the inquiry terms of reference
- Begin with an executive summary in bullet point form of the main points made in the submission
- Include a brief introduction about yourself/your organisation and your reason for submitting evidence
- Include any factual information you have to offer from which the APPG might be able to draw conclusions, or which could be put to other witnesses for their reactions
- Include any recommendations for action by the Government or others which you would like the APPG to consider.

Notes on making a submission

Those making a submission to an APPG inquiry should note the following:

- The APPG will publish most of the written evidence they receive (where it will be accessible to search engines).
- If you do not wish your submission to be published, you must clearly say so and explain your reasons for not wishing its disclosure. The APPG will take this into account in deciding



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whether to publish. If you wish to include private or confidential information in your submission to the APPG, please contact the secretariat of the APPG to discuss this.

- An APPG is not obliged to accept your submission as evidence, nor to publish any or all of the submission even if it has been accepted as evidence. This may occur where a submission is very long or contains material to which it is inappropriate to give to parliamentary candidates
- Material already published elsewhere should not form the basis of a submission, but may be referred to within a submission, in which case it should be clearly referenced, preferably with a hyperlink.
- You should be careful not to comment on matters currently before a court of law, or matters in respect of which court proceedings are imminent. If you anticipate such issues arising, you should discuss with the secretariat of the APPG how this might affect your submission.
- Once submitted, no public use should be made of any submission prepared specifically for the APPG unless you have first obtained permission from the secretariat of the APPG. If you are given permission by the APPG to publish your evidence separately, you should be aware that you will be legally responsible for its content.
- APPG's do not normally investigate individual cases of complaint or allegations of maladministration.



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