

## Youth Connexions

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**Opening Times:** Mon-Wed 9.30am - 4.30pm  
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**Service aims:** The Youth Connexions Service provides information, advice, guidance and support for young people aged 13-19 (and up to 25 for those with learning difficulties and/or disabilities) on a range of issues including education, careers, health, sexual health, housing, leisure opportunities, alcohol and drugs.

**To access the support:** Connexions Personal Advisers are based in every educational institution from Year 9 on the Island and are accessible via the school/college concerned. Young people who have left education access the service via the Connexions Centre in Newport.

**Method of support:** Connexions Personal Advisers meet with young people, either on their own or with their parents/carers, to provide the advice and guidance needed. Where support is required which falls outside the remit of Connexions, referrals are made to the appropriate agencies.

For young people with statements of special educational needs, Connexions Personal Advisers attend annual review meetings, contribute to transition plans, and create and review S140 'Moving On Plans'.

**More info available:** Contact Simon Dear, Ian Riley on 01983 525927