

Positive Destinations

Education Children and Families Committee

13 September 2011

1 Purpose of report

- 1.1 To inform members of City of Edinburgh's Education Children and Families Committee of progress towards improving school leaver destinations based on the follow up annual census carried out by Skills Development Scotland in March 2011 and to provide a summary of progress of initiatives for improving positive destinations.

2 Summary

- 2.1 Skills Development Scotland reports on the destinations of school leavers to the Scottish Government twice yearly. The follow up report for 2009 - 10 is based on a snapshot of activity in March 2011 for the cohort of young people who left school in December 2009 and May 2010. The follow up census contributes to the monitoring of sustainability and drop off rates.
- 2.2 There was an increase of 0.6% in the number of leavers in positive destinations between initial survey and follow up. The proportion of leavers who were in a positive destination in September 2010 was 82.5% and by the follow up survey in March 2011 this had risen to 83.1%.
- 2.3 This improvement in Edinburgh is even more positive when set against a national background where there has been a decrease in the number of young people sustaining a positive destination. The proportion of leavers who were in a positive destination in September 2010 was 86.8% and by the follow up survey in March 2011 this had decreased by 1.6% to 85.2%. In March 2011 the gap between Edinburgh and the national figure had narrowed from 4.3% to 2.1%.

3 Main Report

- 3.1 There was an increase of 6.3% of leavers in employment between initial survey in September 2010 and follow up in March 2011. This was the most improved destination category. The national increase was 4.5%.

- 3.2 There was a decrease of 2.3% in those going on to further and higher education between surveys. This represented the most significant decrease across destination categories. The national figure showed a decrease of 0.2% and 2.6% for higher and further education respectively.
- 3.3 There was a reduction in the numbers of unemployed seeking – an improvement of 1.6%. There was a corresponding increase in the national figure of 1%, meaning that there was a relative improvement of 2.6% comparing Edinburgh with the national figure.
- 3.4 Thirty seven leavers recorded as unemployed seeking in March 2011 were engaged in first step provision as a preparation towards a positive destination. This represented 7% of the unemployed seeking category.

3.5 **Improving Performance**

Schools' performance in demonstrating an improvement in positive destinations between initial survey in September 2010 and follow up in March 2011 was uneven:

- 13 of the 23 secondary schools showed an increase in positive destinations between surveys;
- nine schools had a decrease in positive destinations between surveys. One school remained at the same level; and
- seven of the schools which showed an increase in positive destinations in the follow up survey in March had also shown an increase from September 2009 to September 2010.

- 3.6 A range of measures have been put in place at school and post school level to ensure that young people are better prepared to move into positive destinations. Children and Families, together with City Development, work closely with a range of partners to increase opportunities in training, further education and employment:

3.7 For Schools:

- continued implementation of 16+ Learning Choices for all schools to ensure that all leavers are supported and those needing most support are identified and targeted at an early stage. Each school has designated a senior member of staff to lead on positive destinations and work in partnership with Skills Development Scotland and Community Learning and Development (CLD). CLD have provided CLD links to all secondary schools and are refocusing work on supporting the school leaver transition;
- the Senior Phase Curriculum for Excellence and the implementation of activity agreements are brought together under the implementation of 16+ Learning Choices. Children and Families continue to work jointly with Economic Development to maximise opportunities; and

- self evaluation at school level on performance and on strategies to improve positive destinations continues to be supported by the Quality Improvement.

3.8 Post School:

- the Edinburgh Guarantee led by the Council aims to provide a range of opportunities so that all school leavers have an appropriate offer post 16. The Council is working with private public and voluntary sector partners to generate jobs, training and placement opportunities; and
- Edinburgh Guarantee The Council Offer October 2011 – March 2012 (includes 50 Modern Apprenticeships and 80 Training places (20 ring fenced for care leavers)).

3.9 The Edinburgh Guarantee was supported by the Policy and Strategy Committee on 9 August 2011 who agreed to support 50 Modern Apprenticeships and agreed in principle the resource required to deliver these, which will be discussed at the full Council meeting on the 22 September 2011.

The Edinburgh Guarantee Partner Offer includes:

- Edinburgh 100 – 100 internships in the financial sector
- Additional college places
- New jobs and training places generated in small, medium enterprises (SMEs) led by Scottish Business in the Community
- Community Benefit Clause generates jobs and placements from Council contractors
- Scottish Government provides 15 new modern apprenticeships

3.10 The Edinburgh Guarantee will be supported by:

- The implementation of activity agreements as first step provision receiving £370,000 funding from Scottish Government.
- The Strategic Skills Pipeline which provides a framework for delivery of training and support ensuring that the service is matched to individual needs.
- A client management system matching young people to opportunities.

4 Equalities Implications

4.1 No negative impact anticipated however a full equalities impact assessment will be carried out for the Positive Destination committee report due in January 2012, depending on the Skills Development Scotland Edinburgh School Leaver Destination Report of September 2011.

5 Financial Implications

- 5.1 Approval will be sought at the Council meeting in September 2011 to release funding from General Fund reserves to be applied to the Edinburgh Guarantee.

6 Environmental Impact

- 6.1 There are no adverse environmental impacts arising from this report.

7 Recommendations

- 7.1 It is recommended that Committee:
- a) note this report; and
 - b) request a further report on progress in improving positive destinations from the Director of Children and Families at the next school leaver destination census in December 2011.

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| Appendices | <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Comparison of destinations of leavers from Edinburgh Mainstream Secondary Schools – September 2010 and March 2011 Destination categories expressed as a percentage of school's total leavers2. Comparison of destinations of leavers from Edinburgh Mainstream Secondary Schools – September 2010 and March 2011 Actual numbers3. Table comparing statistics for 2008/09 and 2009/10 for initial and follow up reports broken down by destination category4. Graph comparing positive destinations initial and follow up 2007/08 – 2009/105. Table showing SLDR 2009/10 Initial and Follow up return in comparison to Scotland6. The Edinburgh Guarantee |
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Wards affected All

Single Outcome Agreement

Background Papers



Skills Development Scotland (SDS) supplies information on the destinations of school leavers (SLDR), at an individual level, to the Scottish Government's Analytical Services Unit (Schools). This return is based on a follow up of young people who left school between the 1st of August 2009 and the 31st of July 2010. The initial exercise was carried out during the month of September 2010 and produces a snapshot of destinations as at the 2nd October 2010. In March 2011, we followed up the same cohort to determine if there had been any change in their circumstances. This provides the Scottish Government with data to report upon their national indicator "Increase the proportion of school leavers (from Scottish publicly funded schools) in positive and sustained destinations (FE, HE, employment or training)".

Note: In March, leavers who have since moved outwith Scotland, returned to school or are deceased are not reported upon within the return.

| City of Edinburgh SLDR 2009/10 Follow up | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|-----------|------------------|-------------------|----------|------------|----------------|--------------------|------------------------|-----------|---------------|------------|---------|----------|
| School | Return | Higher Education | Further Education | Training | Employment | Voluntary Work | Unemployed Seeking | Unemployed Not Seeking | Not Known | Total Leavers | % Positive | % Other | % Change |
| Balerno Community High School | Initial | 46.4% | 33.6% | 0.8% | 11.2% | 0.0% | 6.4% | 1.6% | 0.0% | 125 | 92.0% | 8.0% | -5.6% |
| | Follow up | 43.2% | 26.4% | 2.4% | 14.4% | 0.0% | 10.4% | 1.6% | 1.6% | 125 | 86.4% | 13.6% | |
| Boroughmuir High School | Initial | 56.3% | 16.7% | 1.1% | 9.2% | 1.1% | 12.6% | 2.9% | 0.0% | 174 | 84.5% | 15.5% | 6.3% |
| | Follow up | 54.0% | 18.4% | 1.7% | 14.9% | 1.7% | 5.7% | 3.4% | 0.0% | 174 | 90.8% | 9.2% | |
| Broughton High School | Initial | 30.5% | 26.8% | 6.1% | 10.4% | 1.2% | 21.3% | 3.0% | 0.6% | 164 | 75.0% | 25.0% | -1.2% |
| | Follow up | 29.3% | 26.8% | 1.2% | 15.9% | 0.6% | 22.6% | 2.4% | 1.2% | 164 | 73.8% | 26.2% | |
| Castlebrae Community High School | Initial | 8.6% | 41.4% | 6.9% | 12.1% | 0.0% | 25.9% | 5.2% | 0.0% | 58 | 69.0% | 31.0% | -9.4% |
| | Follow up | 8.8% | 29.8% | 5.3% | 15.8% | 0.0% | 31.6% | 8.8% | 0.0% | 57 | 59.6% | 40.4% | |
| Craigmount High School | Initial | 45.2% | 20.1% | 2.9% | 18.8% | 0.0% | 10.9% | 2.1% | 0.0% | 239 | 87.0% | 13.0% | 3.8% |
| | Follow up | 41.0% | 18.0% | 1.7% | 29.3% | 0.8% | 8.4% | 0.8% | 0.0% | 239 | 90.8% | 9.2% | |
| Craigroyston Community High School | Initial | 8.0% | 43.2% | 8.0% | 8.0% | 0.0% | 30.7% | 2.3% | 0.0% | 88 | 67.0% | 33.0% | -4.5% |
| | Follow up | 8.0% | 40.9% | 1.1% | 10.2% | 2.3% | 35.2% | 2.3% | 0.0% | 88 | 62.5% | 37.5% | |
| Currie Community High School | Initial | 49.1% | 15.3% | 1.8% | 20.2% | 0.0% | 11.7% | 0.0% | 1.8% | 163 | 86.5% | 13.5% | 1.8% |
| | Follow up | 50.0% | 15.4% | 0.0% | 22.8% | 0.0% | 9.9% | 1.2% | 0.6% | 162 | 88.3% | 11.7% | |
| Drummond Community High School | Initial | 17.2% | 31.0% | 4.6% | 13.8% | 0.0% | 28.7% | 3.4% | 1.1% | 87 | 66.7% | 33.3% | 6.2% |
| | Follow up | 17.6% | 34.1% | 2.4% | 18.8% | 0.0% | 22.4% | 3.5% | 1.2% | 85 | 72.9% | 27.1% | |
| Firhill High School | Initial | 49.5% | 19.4% | 1.5% | 17.0% | 1.0% | 11.7% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 206 | 88.3% | 11.7% | -0.6% |
| | Follow up | 45.6% | 16.7% | 1.0% | 23.5% | 1.0% | 10.3% | 0.5% | 1.5% | 204 | 87.7% | 12.3% | |
| Forrester High School | Initial | 23.2% | 30.3% | 0.0% | 20.2% | 0.0% | 25.3% | 1.0% | 0.0% | 99 | 73.7% | 26.3% | 11.1% |
| | Follow up | 23.2% | 29.3% | 2.0% | 30.3% | 0.0% | 13.1% | 1.0% | 1.0% | 99 | 84.8% | 15.2% | |
| Gracemount High School | Initial | 25.4% | 34.2% | 5.3% | 18.4% | 0.0% | 15.8% | 0.9% | 0.0% | 114 | 83.3% | 16.7% | 0.8% |
| | Follow up | 25.7% | 28.3% | 2.7% | 27.4% | 0.0% | 19.9% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 113 | 84.1% | 15.9% | |
| Holy Rood RC High School | Initial | 24.9% | 28.4% | 4.5% | 20.9% | 0.0% | 16.1% | 2.0% | 2.0% | 201 | 78.6% | 21.4% | 1.3% |
| | Follow up | 23.6% | 26.6% | 5.0% | 24.6% | 0.0% | 16.1% | 2.0% | 0.0% | 199 | 79.9% | 20.1% | |
| James Gillespie's High School | Initial | 57.6% | 15.8% | 1.1% | 14.1% | 1.6% | 8.2% | 1.6% | 0.0% | 184 | 90.2% | 9.8% | 1.6% |
| | Follow up | 47.8% | 15.2% | 1.1% | 20.1% | 7.6% | 3.8% | 4.3% | 0.0% | 175 | 76.6% | 23.4% | |
| Leith Academy | Initial | 24.6% | 29.1% | 10.3% | 12.0% | 0.6% | 21.1% | 1.1% | 1.1% | 184 | 91.8% | 8.2% | 1.6% |
| | Follow up | 22.4% | 24.7% | 4.0% | 26.4% | 0.6% | 19.5% | 1.1% | 1.1% | 174 | 78.2% | 21.8% | |
| Liberton High School | Initial | 29.5% | 20.2% | 3.9% | 21.7% | 0.8% | 20.9% | 3.1% | 0.0% | 129 | 76.0% | 24.0% | 2.9% |
| | Follow up | 27.3% | 20.3% | 1.6% | 28.1% | 1.6% | 15.6% | 4.7% | 0.8% | 128 | 78.9% | 21.1% | |
| Portobello High School | Initial | 38.1% | 27.1% | 2.0% | 20.6% | 1.2% | 10.5% | 0.0% | 0.4% | 247 | 89.1% | 10.9% | -4.9% |
| | Follow up | 36.0% | 23.9% | 0.0% | 22.3% | 2.0% | 13.0% | 2.4% | 0.4% | 247 | 84.2% | 15.8% | |
| Queensferry Community High School | Initial | 41.9% | 28.5% | 1.6% | 14.0% | 0.0% | 13.2% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 129 | 86.8% | 13.2% | 4.7% |
| | Follow up | 41.1% | 28.7% | 0.8% | 20.9% | 0.0% | 8.5% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 129 | 91.5% | 8.5% | |
| St Augustine's High School | Initial | 30.5% | 31.2% | 5.0% | 17.0% | 0.0% | 14.9% | 1.4% | 0.0% | 141 | 83.7% | 16.3% | -2.3% |
| | Follow up | 25.7% | 24.3% | 2.9% | 28.6% | 0.0% | 16.4% | 1.4% | 0.7% | 140 | 81.4% | 18.6% | |
| St Thomas Of Aquin's High School | Initial | 55.6% | 14.5% | 0.8% | 12.9% | 0.8% | 14.5% | 0.8% | 0.0% | 124 | 84.7% | 15.3% | 4.7% |
| | Follow up | 50.4% | 13.0% | 1.6% | 22.0% | 1.6% | 8.1% | 1.6% | 0.8% | 123 | 89.4% | 10.6% | |
| The Royal High School | Initial | 46.8% | 20.2% | 2.5% | 19.7% | 1.5% | 8.9% | 0.5% | 0.0% | 203 | 90.6% | 9.4% | 2.5% |
| | Follow up | 45.0% | 19.3% | 0.5% | 28.2% | 0.0% | 6.4% | 0.0% | 0.5% | 202 | 93.1% | 6.9% | |
| Trinity Academy | Initial | 31.6% | 25.7% | 1.8% | 22.8% | 1.2% | 15.8% | 0.6% | 0.6% | 171 | 83.0% | 17.0% | -4.2% |
| | Follow up | 28.8% | 24.1% | 0.6% | 24.7% | 0.6% | 18.2% | 2.4% | 0.6% | 170 | 78.8% | 21.2% | |
| Tynecastle High School | Initial | 25.2% | 26.2% | 7.5% | 17.8% | 0.0% | 22.4% | 0.9% | 0.0% | 107 | 76.6% | 23.4% | -3.0% |
| | Follow up | 25.5% | 20.8% | 3.8% | 23.6% | 0.0% | 28.6% | 2.8% | 0.9% | 106 | 73.6% | 26.4% | |
| Wester Hailes Education Centre | Initial | 8.4% | 36.1% | 8.4% | 12.0% | 0.0% | 28.9% | 6.0% | 0.0% | 83 | 65.1% | 34.9% | -6.6% |
| | Follow up | 11.0% | 30.5% | 3.7% | 12.2% | 1.2% | 36.6% | 4.9% | 0.0% | 82 | 58.5% | 41.5% | |
| City of Edinburgh Council | Initial | 36.8% | 25.2% | 3.5% | 16.4% | 0.6% | 15.8% | 1.4% | 0.3% | 3,411 | 82.5% | 17.5% | 0.6% |
| | Follow up | 34.5% | 22.9% | 1.8% | 22.7% | 1.1% | 14.2% | 2.0% | 0.7% | 3,394 | 83.1% | 16.9% | |



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| City of Edinburgh SLDR 2009/10 Follow-up | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|-----------|------------------|-------------------|----------|------------|----------------|--------------------|------------------------|-----------|---------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|
| School | Return | Higher Education | Further Education | Training | Employment | Voluntary Work | Unemployed Seeking | Unemployed Not Seeking | Not Known | Total Leavers | Total Positive | Total Other | Total Excluded |
| Balerno Community High School | Initial | 58 | 42 | 1 | 14 | | 8 | 2 | | 125 | 115 | 10 | |
| | Follow up | 54 | 33 | 3 | 18 | | 13 | 2 | 2 | 125 | 108 | 17 | |
| Boroughmuir High School | Initial | 98 | 29 | 2 | 16 | 2 | 22 | 5 | | 174 | 147 | 27 | |
| | Follow up | 94 | 32 | 3 | 26 | 3 | 10 | 6 | | 174 | 158 | 16 | |
| Broughton High School | Initial | 50 | 44 | 10 | 17 | 2 | 35 | 5 | 1 | 164 | 123 | 41 | |
| | Follow up | 48 | 44 | 2 | 26 | 1 | 37 | 4 | 2 | 164 | 121 | 43 | |
| Castlebrae Community High School | Initial | 5 | 24 | 4 | 7 | | 15 | 3 | | 58 | 40 | 18 | |
| | Follow up | 5 | 17 | 3 | 9 | | 18 | 5 | | 57 | 34 | 23 | 1 |
| Craigmount High School | Initial | 108 | 48 | 7 | 45 | | 26 | 5 | | 239 | 208 | 31 | |
| | Follow up | 98 | 43 | 4 | 70 | 2 | 20 | 2 | | 239 | 217 | 22 | |
| Craigroyston Community High School | Initial | 7 | 38 | 7 | 7 | | 27 | 2 | | 88 | 59 | 29 | |
| | Follow up | 7 | 36 | 1 | 9 | 2 | 31 | 2 | | 88 | 55 | 33 | |
| Currie Community High School | Initial | 80 | 25 | 3 | 33 | | 19 | 2 | 3 | 163 | 141 | 22 | |
| | Follow up | 81 | 27 | 4 | 37 | | 25 | 2 | 1 | 162 | 143 | 19 | 1 |
| Drummond Community High School | Initial | 15 | 29 | 2 | 12 | | 25 | 3 | 1 | 87 | 58 | 29 | |
| | Follow up | 15 | 29 | 2 | 16 | | 19 | 3 | 1 | 85 | 62 | 23 | 2 |
| Firrhill High School | Initial | 102 | 40 | 3 | 35 | 2 | 24 | 1 | 3 | 206 | 182 | 24 | |
| | Follow up | 93 | 34 | 2 | 48 | 2 | 21 | 1 | | 204 | 179 | 25 | 2 |
| Forrester High School | Initial | 23 | 30 | 2 | 20 | | 25 | 1 | | 99 | 73 | 26 | |
| | Follow up | 23 | 29 | 2 | 30 | | 13 | 1 | 1 | 99 | 84 | 15 | |
| Gracemount High School | Initial | 29 | 39 | 6 | 21 | | 18 | 1 | | 114 | 95 | 19 | |
| | Follow up | 29 | 32 | 3 | 31 | | 18 | 1 | | 113 | 95 | 18 | 1 |
| Holy Rood RC High School | Initial | 50 | 57 | 9 | 42 | | 40 | 2 | 1 | 201 | 158 | 43 | |
| | Follow up | 47 | 53 | 10 | 49 | | 32 | 4 | 4 | 199 | 159 | 40 | 2 |
| James Gillespie's High School | Initial | 106 | 29 | 2 | 26 | 3 | 15 | 3 | | 184 | 166 | 18 | |
| | Follow up | 88 | 28 | 2 | 37 | 14 | 7 | 8 | | 184 | 169 | 15 | |
| Leith Academy | Initial | 43 | 51 | 18 | 21 | 1 | 37 | 2 | 2 | 175 | 134 | 41 | |
| | Follow up | 39 | 43 | 7 | 46 | 1 | 34 | 2 | 2 | 174 | 136 | 38 | 1 |
| Liberton High School | Initial | 38 | 26 | 5 | 28 | 1 | 27 | 4 | | 129 | 98 | 31 | |
| | Follow up | 35 | 26 | 2 | 36 | 2 | 20 | 6 | 1 | 128 | 101 | 27 | 1 |
| Portobello High School | Initial | 94 | 67 | 5 | 51 | 3 | 26 | 6 | 1 | 247 | 220 | 27 | |
| | Follow up | 89 | 59 | 5 | 55 | 5 | 32 | 6 | 1 | 247 | 208 | 39 | |
| Queensferry Community High School | Initial | 54 | 38 | 2 | 18 | | 17 | | | 129 | 112 | 17 | |
| | Follow up | 53 | 37 | 1 | 27 | | 11 | | | 129 | 118 | 11 | |
| St Augustine's High School | Initial | 43 | 44 | 7 | 24 | | 21 | 2 | 1 | 141 | 118 | 23 | |
| | Follow up | 36 | 34 | 4 | 40 | | 23 | 2 | | 140 | 114 | 26 | 1 |
| St Thomas Of Aquin's High School | Initial | 69 | 18 | 1 | 16 | 1 | 18 | 1 | | 124 | 105 | 19 | |
| | Follow up | 62 | 16 | 3 | 27 | 2 | 10 | 2 | 1 | 123 | 110 | 13 | 1 |
| The Royal High School | Initial | 95 | 41 | 5 | 40 | 3 | 18 | 1 | 1 | 202 | 184 | 19 | |
| | Follow up | 91 | 39 | 1 | 57 | 1 | 13 | | | 202 | 188 | 14 | |
| Trinity Academy | Initial | 54 | 44 | 3 | 39 | 2 | 27 | 1 | 1 | 171 | 142 | 29 | |
| | Follow up | 49 | 41 | 1 | 42 | 1 | 31 | 4 | 1 | 170 | 134 | 36 | 1 |
| Tynecastle High School | Initial | 27 | 28 | 8 | 19 | | 24 | 1 | | 107 | 82 | 25 | |
| | Follow up | 27 | 22 | 4 | 25 | | 24 | 3 | 1 | 106 | 78 | 28 | 1 |
| Wester Hailes Education Centre | Initial | 7 | 30 | 7 | 10 | | 24 | 5 | | 83 | 54 | 29 | |
| | Follow up | 9 | 25 | 3 | 10 | 1 | 30 | 4 | | 82 | 48 | 34 | 1 |
| City of Edinburgh Council | Initial | 1,255 | 859 | 119 | 561 | 20 | 538 | 49 | 10 | 3,411 | 2,814 | 597 | |
| | Follow up | 1,172 | 777 | 62 | 771 | 37 | 483 | 69 | 23 | 3,394 | 2,819 | 575 | 17 |

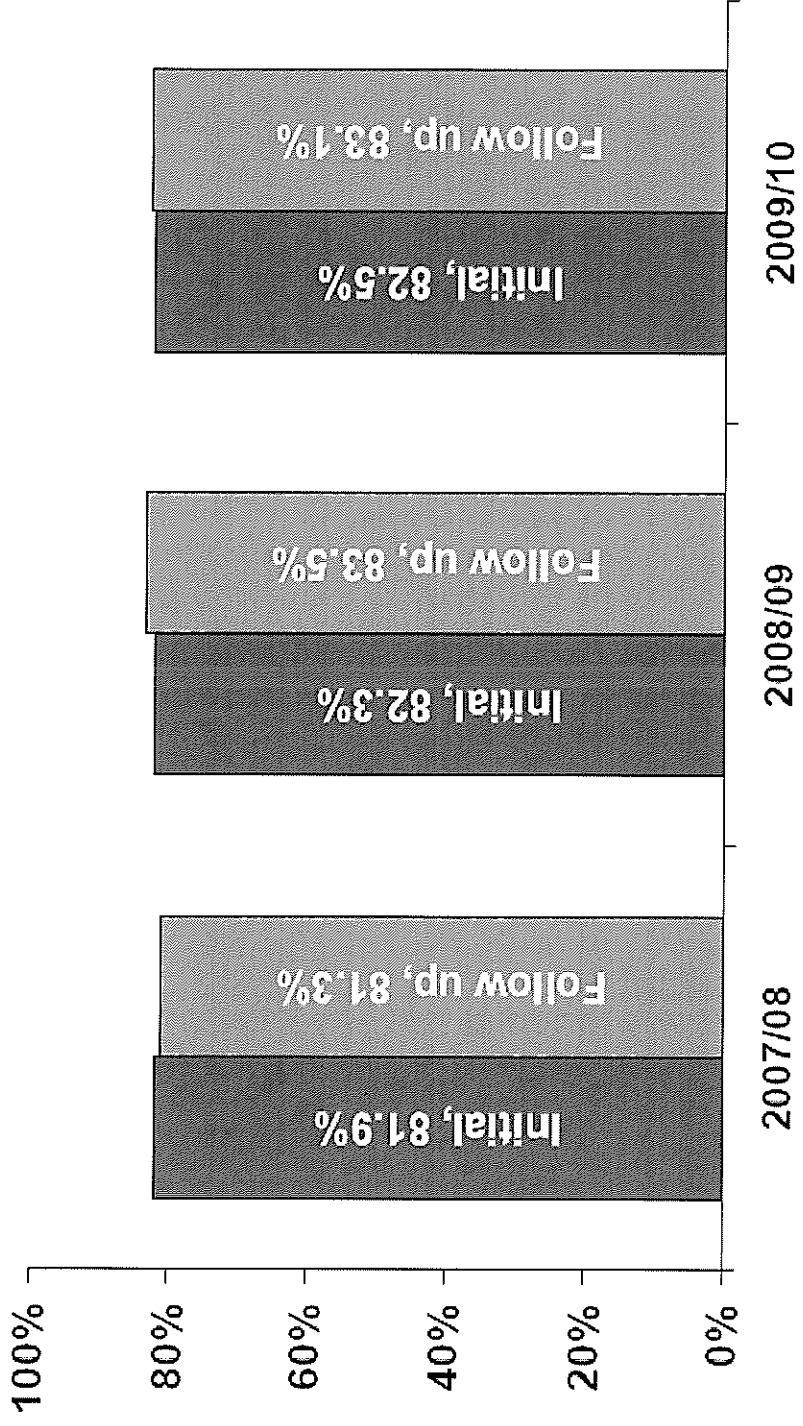
Appendix 3

Table 2: Percentage of leavers by initial & follow up destination category, 2008/9 & 2009/10

| City of Edinburgh Council Destination Category | 2008/09 | | | 2009/10 | | |
|---|---------|-----------|----------|---------|-----------|----------|
| | Initial | Follow Up | % Change | Initial | Follow Up | % Change |
| Higher Education | 35.1% | 33.6% | -1.5% | 36.8% | 34.5% | -2.3% |
| Further Education | 25.2% | 23.6% | -1.6% | 25.2% | 22.9% | -2.3% |
| Training | 3.6% | 3.1% | -0.5% | 3.5% | 1.8% | -1.7% |
| Employment | 17.9% | 22.9% | 5.0% | 16.4% | 22.7% | 6.3% |
| Voluntary Work | 0.5% | 0.3% | -0.2% | 0.6% | 1.1% | 0.5% |
| Unemployed Seeking | 15.5% | 14.2% | -1.3% | 15.8% | 14.2% | -1.6% |
| Unemployed Not Seeking | 1.7% | 2.1% | 0.4% | 1.4% | 2.0% | 0.6% |
| Not Known | 0.4% | 0.2% | -0.2% | 0.3% | 0.7% | 0.4% |
| Positive Destinations | 82.3% | 83.5% | 1.2% | 82.5% | 83.1% | 0.6% |
| Number of Leavers | 3,443 | 3,430 | 3,411 | 3,394 | | |

Appendix 4

Graph 2: Percentage of leavers in a positive destination, 2007/08 to 2009/10



Appendix 5 Table 1: SLDR 2009/10 Initial & Follow up return in comparison to Scotland

| Destination Category | Scotland | | | City of Edinburgh Council | | |
|------------------------|----------|-----------|----------|---------------------------|-----------|----------|
| | Initial | Follow Up | % Change | Initial | Follow Up | % Change |
| Higher Education | 35.7% | 33.7% | -2.0% | 36.8% | 34.5% | -2.3% |
| Further Education | 27.1% | 24.5% | -2.6% | 25.2% | 22.9% | -2.3% |
| Training | 5.2% | 3.4% | -1.8% | 3.5% | 1.8% | -1.7% |
| Employment | 18.5% | 23.1% | 4.6% | 16.4% | 22.7% | 6.3% |
| Voluntary Work | 0.3% | 0.5% | 0.2% | 0.6% | 1.1% | 0.5% |
| Unemployed Seeking | 11.3% | 12.3% | 1.0% | 15.8% | 14.2% | -1.6% |
| Unemployed Not Seeking | 1.3% | 1.8% | 0.5% | 1.4% | 2.0% | 0.6% |
| Not Known | 0.6% | 0.7% | 0.1% | 0.3% | 0.7% | 0.4% |
| Positive Destinations | 86.8% | 85.2% | -1.6% | 82.5% | 83.1% | 0.6% |
| Number of Leavers | 54,097 | 53,842 | 3,411 | 3,394 | | |

Within City of Edinburgh Council, the destination category that witnessed the biggest increase in leavers between the initial and the follow up return was employment, with an increase of 6.3%.

Conversely, the destination categories that witnessed the greatest decrease in leavers between the initial and the follow up return were higher education and further education with a decrease of -2.3% respectively

Appendix 6 The Edinburgh Guarantee

Background

The 'Edinburgh Guarantee' is an initiative driven by the Council which seeks to increase the number of jobs, education and training opportunities being made available to young people.

The initiative has been launched in response to rising levels of youth unemployment - currently almost four times the city's average unemployment rate – and reports showing that more than 500 young people leave Edinburgh schools every year without a positive destination – a higher proportion than any other city in Scotland.

The Council is determined to tackle this by working with public, private and voluntary sector partners across the city to generate sufficient new opportunities to enable all young people in Edinburgh to leave school into a positive destination.

Our targets are as follows:

Apprenticeship programmes (job plus funded training for 2-4 years)

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|-----------------------|-------------|
| – Council | 50 |
| – Business community | 50 |
| – NHS Lothian | TB |
| – Scottish Government | <u>15</u> |
| | 115+ |

“Edinburgh 100”

20 private sector companies offering 5 x 6 month internships

100

Additional College Placements

30+

Additional Government funded training programme places

100

e.g. Get ready for work, Targeted Pathways

(need work experience placements during and after training placement)

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| <i>Council contractors</i> | 50 |
| Jobs and work placements | |
| <i>Jobs for school leavers with local employers</i> | <u>200</u> |
| Includes 20 employment opportunities MAs and jobs sourced and supported by SBC | |
| | <u>595</u> |

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