



PRESS NOTICE

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RECORD YOUTH UNEMPLOYMENT

Careers England, the trade association for careers guidance companies across the country, has reacted strongly to the 13.4.11 announcement that 218,000 16-17 year olds are jobless.

Chairman of Careers England, Allister McGowan, commented: "This record figure is deeply concerning, especially at a time when many local authorities are cutting back on their Connexions and careers services. The Government needs to take firm action to ensure that services are maintained during the transition period until the introduction of the all age careers service, to be known as The National Careers Service, from April next year".

The latest quarterly figures published today showed 963,000 18-24 year olds out of work, with a further 218,000 16-17 year olds also jobless.

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