

Transcript:

[Text: Ellis Hudspeth]

[Soundtrack: Modern upbeat inspirational music.]

Ellis Hudspeth: My name is Ellis, I'm 18.

[Video: Ellis, sitting in the DurhamWorks office, smiles to camera.]

Ellis Hudspeth: I didn't really like college; it just wasn't my thing. I'm not that kind of person that likes education. But I found DurhamWorks through a newspaper in Newton Aycliffe, funnily enough. And I went down the library and I signed up for it.

[Video: Ellis in the DurhamWorks office talking to camera.]

Ellis Hudspeth: I thought, "I'll have a go at this!", and I'm quite far ahead now from where I was originally.

[Video: In the Youth Forum, Ellis looks around at fellow DurhamWorks participants.]

Ellis Hudspeth: I credit them quite a lot, actually, I'm really grateful for them like, *really grateful for them* –

[Video: Ellis in the DurhamWorks office talking to camera.]

Ellis Hudspeth: because they've helped me out so much, and they've guided me so much.

[Video: Ellis speak to someone off camera in the Youth Forum.]

Ellis Hudspeth: My hope for the future is just to find a permanent job and hopefully start getting a car and all that sort of stuff. I wouldn't be as far as I am now, I would've had no idea how to find a job and that sort of stuff.

[Video: Ellis in the DurhamWorks office talking to camera.]

Ellis Hudspeth: I wouldn't be sure exactly where I would've been and that sort of stuff.

[Video: Ellis speaks to someone off camera among other Youth Forum participants.]

[Text: David Curry. Young People's Engagement Worker, DurhamWorks]

David Curry: He's worked with us now for a long period of time with the DurhamWorks Futures programme.

[Video: David Curry smiles to camera in the DurhamWorks office.]

David Curry: He's the only one with 100% attendance at the Forum, and his contributions have been fantastic.

David Curry: He's also had work experience opportunities and things like that. So again, with Ellis, I can see how his confidence, his team working skills; I can see how they've really come on in that period of time.

[Video: David Curry talking to camera in the DurhamWorks office.]

[Video: DurhamWorks and European Social Fund logo.]

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