

I LOVE MY APPRENTICESHIP!

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- **Where did you go to school?** Litcham High School, then Dereham Sixth Form
- **What subjects did you study?** Health and Social Care Certificate and Diploma which was the equivalent of 2 A Levels
- **Why did you choose an Apprenticeship?** I chose an apprenticeship because I loved the thought of learning on the job, especially as I learn better by participating in activities and this apprenticeship gave me the opportunity to do so. I knew that University wasn't for me, and this way I gain a degree qualification while working and learning new skills.
- **What path did you take to get to your current position?** While studying for my A levels the opportunity for this apprenticeship came up, and I liked the idea of what it involved so I applied. Firstly, I had to submit a short video clip answering 3 questions, then I attended a group interview. After successfully completing the initial two stages I then had an individual interview and was offered the job the same week.
- **What does a typical day in your role look like?** I am currently with the Housing Team and my day involves lots of shadowing to learn about all the different job roles, these include Housing Officers, Estates Officers and ASB Officers. I also have a university day once a month, where my tutor comes to Mildenhall to run through my learning.
- **What do you think are the most valuable skills have you learnt on your apprenticeship?** The most valuable skill I have learned is teamwork. Currently I'm working in the Housing Team, everyone must work with one another to ensure their job is done to a high standard. I think good team work is essential for any job role, so this is a valuable skill to have.
- **What is the job prospect/progression when you complete your apprenticeship?** After my apprenticeship I should have picked an area of the business that I find the most interesting and most enjoyable working for.
- **What do you like best about being an apprentice?** I like being an apprentice as I can learn while working, and it has a more hands on approach so I can get involved with tasks.

Why do you love your apprenticeship?

With my specific apprenticeship I will learn about all different roles around the business, so I find this very interesting. I really love the opportunity that I am offered by learning about all these roles, it gives me a much greater understanding of the business.