What is Career Companion?

Career Companion provides independent, impartial professional oversight of the best and most comprehensive careers, learning, skills training and job hunting information in the UK.

Who is it for?

Any age! Whether you are still in education and training, considering apprenticeships, a career change, self-employment, returning to learning or planning for retirement.

How might it help you?

- If you **unsure what you might like to do in the future**, Career Companion includes career quizzes and psychometric tests to help develop your ideas further.
- Perhaps, you have career ideas but are looking for further information, such as entry requirements, training opportunities and prospects for career progression. Or wanting help with CVs and Job hunting. Career Companion has over two thousand careers, learning, skills training and job hunting sites to help
- If **Higher Education is your focus** for now you can research and compare universities and affiliated specialist colleges. Career Companion provides easy access to an A -Z of UK institutions operating through UCAS. Also, a complementary search facility, and notepad tool to record and email any of your saved research.
- A significant feature of Career Companion is **easy access to advice and support services**, just when they are needed! This may include health organisations, agencies, and charities from the voluntary sector; themselves a useful source for employment and training. As are providers of internships, year out and gap year opportunities in the UK as well as overseas.

"We also believe that web-based information is never a substitute for one to one professional career guidance."

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How are we funded?

You may have noticed there is no advertising or promotional activity in Career Companion, other than specific content, news and updates from established or recently endorsed sources.

For twenty years Career Companion has been at the forefront of uniquely curating and mediating close to ten thousand web links from professional bodies, institutes, universities, careers, learning and training organisations. Currently we are funded largely by our Bespoke services, which you may be using right now, and as outlined below:

Career Companion Premium - *for Careers, Learning, Charity, or Training organisations.* This is an additional *Bespoke* service, designed to support Career Leaders and Careers Advisers in the management, maintenance, and delivery of their Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance activities. Depending upon organisational or consortia need, Staff/Pupil/Parent sites are customised to meet specific target groups such as Adults, 11-16 / 18 schools and colleges, Hospitals, PRUs, and SEND establishments. Premium services uniquely include regional and local content, as well as access to above mentioned Career Companion.

Dedicated Bespoke Premium site licences range from £175 – £350 pa + vat.

With considerable strain on local authority as well as adult services and career budgeting generally, we have been encouraged to make Career Companion available to a much wider audience. For this reason, New Individual, Friends & Family as well as Professional Adviser / Support licenses have been introduced.

So, what will it cost you to use Career Companion?

All the following are annual price plans:

•	Individual	£6.00
•	Friends & Family Includes up to 5 guest accounts	£9.60
•	Professional Adviser/Support	£12.00

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