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"I couldn't thank Minerva and Alpha enough for this opportunity. The respect and support received from both was great. I now aim to work harder to progress as much as possible."

**SIMON KEAN**

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**With Minerva's help Simon has now gained his Level 2 qualification and has progressed on to Level 3 using Learning Assistant with the aim of furthering his career with his company.**

#### The Challenge:

Simon originally thought about going to College to study PE but stayed on at school to complete his Intermediate 2 course in Information systems where he discovered his interest in working with computers. His new goal was to find a position which would help him forward his own development in an area he enjoyed and was good at.

Simon was identified as a 'doer' having volunteered for a number of projects in his local area including being the Chairman of the Shack Youth project as well as being a Volunteer Youth Worker within geographical area.

#### The Solution:

Simon contacted Minerva having been told about it by his mum who was also with Minerva working towards her Childcare qualification.

Simon met with Minerva staff who discussed his options and within a week he had an interview and has now been in position for almost a year.

#### The Results:

Simon completed his Level 2 qualification ahead of schedule and was keen to progress to Level 3 with the full support of his Line Manager and Assessor.

Simon is now working on the new Learning Assistant (e-portfolio) with his Level 3 Business and Administration. His working role has expanded and has been given the opportunity to grow within his area of expertise. Simon feels the future looks challenging and exciting.