

# Community Learning MINUTES



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## NOTES OF MEETING

<b>Team:</b>	Adult&CommunityLearningGroup		
<b>Date:</b>	28 <sup>th</sup> February2008	<b>Copiesto:</b>	AsListed

<b>Present</b>		
SylviaFrench (AndoverCollege)	DavidGleave(Co-ordinator, TVBC)	CliveGraham (Chairmanand HarrowWay CommunitySchool)
BevJones (Recreation&Heritage, HCC)	JanLefley(RomseySchool)	MaryWhitworth (LearningLinks, LearningNet)
<b>Apologies</b>		
ChristineAlexander (EverybodyOn-line)	HazelBathie(Testway)	LesleyJohnson (actingCommunity EducationManager, Mountbatten School)
MaggsTodd(Neighbourhood ActivityWorker)		

<b>Agenda</b>		
1.	ApologiesforAbsence	Seeabove
2.	MinutesofPreviousMeeting	Agreed
3.	MattersArising	
4.	ActiveLearningforResidents	
5.	EverybodyOn-line	
6.	HampshireLearningPartnership	
7.	BasicSkills	
8.	HampshireCountyFamilyLotteryUpdate	
9.	InformationShare	
10.	DatesofFutureMeetings	

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Summarised notes of the discussion and action points	
3.	<p><b>Matters Arising</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Extended Schools Conference “Putting the X Factor back into Extended Schools” 28 March 2008.</b> The Test Valley workshops being run by Bev and Jan are proving very popular.</li> <li>• <b>Children’s Centres.</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Andover</b> - Acorn has now been designated a graduated Children’s Centre, managed by Tina Monaghan. The Shepherd’s Spring Children’s Centre will be designated in Spring 2009. AFL will provide family learning and parenting programmes as part of work with the Children’s Centres.</p> <p><b>Romsey</b> - A Manager is in place for the Romsey Children’s Centre and a co-ordinator for the North Baddesley Children’s Centre will work from the one-stop shop in Baddesley, which is being leased by Community Church from TVBC similar to Askalot. The Interim Partnership Board wants the Romsey Children’s Centre to cover all of southern Test Valley.</p> <p>A new voluntary initiative called Homestart in Andover will need to link with the Andover Children’s Centre. Homestart supports parents with pre-school children.</p>
4.	<p><b>Active Learning for Residents-</b> Update from Hazel Bathie (not at meeting)</p> <p>Active Learning at Testway is currently working on the evaluation process both for Testway and the Chartered Institute for Housing (CIH). They will feedback to the Board at the end of the project (end of April). Whether or not Testway continues will be subject to the evaluation findings. Update to be provided at the next meeting.</p>

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<p>5.</p>	<p><b>EverybodyOn-line(CG)</b></p> <p>An updatenote was circulated at the meeting. This BT funded initiative designed to increase peoples' use of the internet opera tes primarily in Alamein ward and tied into the Askalotone-stopshop.</p> <p>SF reported that she is talking to Christine Alexander to see if computer sessions can take place at the Phoenix Centre with both EOLand the Colleges supplying laptops.</p> <p>CG added that he is discussing Homework clubs, either in community venues or Harrow Way Community School, with Christine Alexander.</p>
<p>6.</p>	<p><b>Hampshire Learning Partnership(BJ)</b></p> <p>A conference is being held at Sparsholt College on 12 March 2008 which is intended to clarify the scale and character of adult learning in Hampshire and how it can be developed in the future.</p> <p>HLP is an LSC/NIACE-funded project to identify where adult learners, previously using LSC/HCC-funded programmes, now obtain learning – if at all – and how provision can be better co-ordinated in an era of declining funding.</p> <p>SF noted that Government funding priority is on levels 1 and 2 rather than entry level 3, especially in community settings, rather than the classroom – which is where Andover's need lies.</p> <p>However, it appears Ministerial policy may at long last be softening towards better funding for pre-qualification learning, with a community development emphasis. But is it too late? The number of adult learners in Hampshire has fallen from 79,000 6 years ago to just 12,500 p.a. Partly this reflects the withdrawal of funding but also the reduction in what is now available. For example, only 2 of Hampshire's 22 FE colleges are funded to deliver non-accredited adult learning.</p> <p>Will any additional resources reduce course fees for "leisure learning" and how can agencies work together to attract the hard to reach learner?</p> <p>MW is working with groups of learners to become Learning Champions.</p>

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	<p>They will undertake community research which will include a questionnaire survey asking what people want to learn, where and what would encourage them to learn? The results will feed into the HLP project.</p> <p>How will the future of the LSC relate to any growth in non-accredited learning?</p> <p>What will happen to the LSC post 2010 when post 16 funding is transferred to local councils?</p> <p>There is likely to be a role for district learning partnerships in understanding and possibly co-ordinating and delivering community learning in the future, as HLP evolves. It is therefore important that this group is ready for that challenge and well-represented at the conference.</p> <p><b>Agreed:</b> Chairman (JL) to speak to Dr. Christine Jackson as part of responding to the HLP project.</p> <p>All to confirm attendance with <a href="mailto:carole.warmington@hants.gov.uk">carole.warmington@hants.gov.uk</a></p>
<p>7.</p>	<p><b>Basic Skills (CG)</b></p> <p>SF has provided information from Andover College on the number of passes in literacy and numeracy at Entry Level 1 through to NVQ Level 2 for 2006/07. Combined with Family Learning (Harrow Way and Romsey schools), Learn Direct (Harrow Way and TABs) and ESOL this should provide a baseline for levels of basic skills provision. In time, we should be able to identify numbers of individuals (as well as courses) by postcode/ward and individuals' progression in learning (eg. ESOL Andover College 2006/07 c.100; Romsey 60).</p>
<p>8.</p>	<p><b>Hampshire County Family Lottery Update (BJ, CG)</b></p> <p>The successful bid identifies 5 areas within Hampshire, including Andover. Each has an implementation group.</p> <p>Andover's group has set up 6 hubs, each with £2,000 (with £4,000 reserved for a large event) making a total £16,000 funding to undertake family learning.</p>

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	<p>The 6 hubs are based in community halls (Burghclere Down, Phoenix Centre, Longmeadow Centre, St. Michaels Hall, Weyhill Road, King Arthurs Hall etc).</p> <p>Each hub has to link with local schools and group seg. AFL links with Andover Mencap, PHA B etc. Kids Church with Testway. Alamein C.A., with Knights Enham schools, Neighbourhood Co-ordinator Phoenix Centre with Winton campus school etc. Burghclere Down with covenant of churches. Each hub will have 45 participants (children and parents) toputon activities for families.</p>
<p><b>9.</b></p>	<p><b>Information Share</b></p> <p>(MW) Learning Net finishes at end of March 2008 but there will still be opportunities for training needs assessments.</p> <p>(JL) Did HCC submit an ESFF Family Learning bid? Unlikely.</p> <p>(JL) The Women's Institute has funding to deliver the althyeating work-need to link in with existing provision and not duplicate.</p> <p>(DG) Distributed summary version of Test Valley Community Plan.</p> <p>(DG) Business of Learning Conference at The Lights 6 March 2008 designed to help Andover schools and businesses better understand, and help meet each others requirements.</p>
<p><b>10.</b></p>	<p><b>Dates of Future Meetings</b></p> <p>To take place 10am-12pm on the day of the full partnership meeting, at the Grosvenor Hotel, Stockbridge,</p> <p>Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2008          Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2008          Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2008          Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2008</p>
<p><b>Signed:</b> <b>Date:</b></p>	