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Team:	Adult&CommunityLearningGroup		
Date:	5 th December2007	Copiesto:	AsListed

Present		
HazelBathie (ResidentInvolvement Officer,Testway)	DavidGleave(Co-ordinator, TVBC)	CliveGraham (Chairmanand HarrowWay CommunitySchool)
BevJones (Recreation&Heritage, HCC)	JanLefley(RomseySchool)	MaryWhitworth (LearningLinks, LearningNet)
Apologies		
SandyCraig(Learning DevelopmentCo-ordinator, HarrowWayCommunity School)	TonyMcGovern (whowillbeleaving MountbattenSchoolby Christmas)	

Agenda		
1.	ApologiesforAbsence	Seeabove
2.	MinutesofPreviousMeeting	Agreed
3.	MattersArising	
4.	CelebrationofLifelongLearning	
5.	HampshireLearningPartnershipUpdate	
6.	CountyFamilyLearningBigLottery	
7.	InformationShare	
8.	DatesofFutureMeetings	

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Summarised notes of the discussion And action points

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Matters Arising (items not on today's agenda)

- The October Test Valley Family Learning conference had to be cancelled. However, the pre-arranged Andover Family Learning Forum on 17 October 2007 was held at The Lights and used to recognise Jean Lannie's major contribution to Andover Family Learning - BJ gave a well-received ecology; launch The Partnership Directory and Celebration of Lifelong Learning report.
- County Parenting Conference 28 March 2008**
"Putting the X Factor into Extended Schools". JL & CG joined the HCC planning group. CG/JG will give a workshop on Family Learning. There will be another Family Learning workshop on PEEP etc. JL and BJ will also give a workshop on partnerships, based on the Test Valley experience.

As well as now covering extended services the conference will also cover volunteering and The Third Sector. Concern was registered that it was becoming very broad at the expense of local organisations sharing best practice. If HCC want to use it to engage others schools in extended services perhaps they should be targeted, because Test Valley's schools (the focus of the original October 2007 conference) are already advanced in developing extended services.
- Active Learning for Residents (JL)**
ALR will offer a Level 2 qualification from April 2008 so schools may be interested in using it to derive points scores.
- HB has successfully recruited 36 learners and is on target for 54 by Christmas; the scheme links with EOL on internet tasters; with the Teenage Pregnancy group on healthy eating and with Learning Links; A Residents Toolkit is being prepared and it is intended that ALR will be extended to Romsey and North Baddesley. There is scope to use ALR to develop the KAW community association.
- It was noted that while the EOL project will stimulate demand for internet use it doesn't provide any laptops. In response, JL offered 8 laptops in the south as part of Extended Services (£4,000); 6 at Alton

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	<p>which are only used on a Monday. UK Online may be able to offer some laptops.</p> <p>Action: BJ to follow up in consultation with CG/HB.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basic Skills: CG not been able to follow up assembling the data. • Children's Centres: JL bit disappointed in lack of engagement of local community in appointment of CC Managers and Co-ordinators. Acorns Early Years Centre managing both Andover centres: a partnership board being formed; CG applied to become a member. • Possibility that while Shepherds Spring will be "full core" Acorns may be "graduated" simply because there is not the space, caretaking resources and facilities for it to offer the full 8.00am-6.00pm Children's Centres services. <p>Romsey CC's being managed by HCC.</p> <p>Hoping HCC would have put capital bid into LSC which could have supported Children's Centre – doubtful they have. Stephanie Quant not at the meeting to confirm.</p> <p>South Test Valley Children's Centre (not Romsey and North Baddesley) intended to complement the existing provision of childcare not to duplicate it. Similarly, Shepherd's Spring will work closely with the existing Shepherds Spring nursery – not increase number of childcare places – but the Children's Centres will offer extra parenting support.</p>
<p>4.</p>	<p>Celebration of Lifelong Learning</p> <p>Action: DAG to send a copy to County Councillors and Test Valley Members, LSP Board and Partnership Management Group.</p>

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5.

Hampshire Learning Partnership Update (BJ)

The Leader of HCC is pulling together a strategic group (AFL, Recreation & Heritage, Economic Development, Children's Services etc) to better coordinate adult learning both within the County Council and among the growing number of providers in order to make the service more coordinated, more effective and ensure greater consistency of quality. This work is being funded by LSC and NIACE.

In due course, this strategic group will need representation from districts, Health and those Colleges which have stopped delivering subsidised adult education courses. Currently, only Totton, Brockenhurst and Gosport still offer Personal and Community Development Learning (PCDL) below full cost. MW and JL involved on a sub group which is intended to involve external providers. JL mentioned that county-appointed consultants are seeing her about data collection, data use, possible duplication. Test Valley used as a model of good practice in areas where there aren't learning fora. How does HCC make local learning partnerships in Test Valley more robust so it can receive funding?

Conference to bring groups together, 12 March 2008, but pressures now to link that to Adult Learning Forum. LSC and parts of HCC concerned to bring this together before PCDL is finally lost in a year or two's time.

At the same time Government agenda is to devolve more delivery to voluntary sector so any inflexibilities among public sector agencies. Members expressed concern that despite individuals working hard to feed other agencies' views into the process that diversity is not always reflected by the County Council's steering group.

Action: DAG to send TVCLP membership list to BJ.

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<p>6.</p>	<p>HampshireCountyCouncilFamilyLearningBigLottery</p> <p>HCC has won £350,000 over next 3 years to be targeted in parts of Gosport, Havant, Basingstoke, Rushmoor and Test Valley. Each area has established an implementation group (working to a countywide steering group). Andover’s Implementation Group met on 4 December 2007 representing Testway, TVCS, Kids Church, AFL, Young Carers, Home Start, Schools, Churches Together, PCT (Maggie Fisher), Andover Museums, HCFF. It will meet again in January 2008 to agree a delivery plan to spend about £15,000p.a.</p> <p>Should the money be targeted at hard to reach, new groups? There may be a tendency for the larger organisation to know already how to spend the money but the opportunity needs to be created for the smaller, voluntary groups to identify their own priorities and projects. Although there is a target number (810) of beneficiaries the undiscovered etc. In this sense the bid represents “fun money.”</p> <p>Instead, family experiences could include visiting Calshot Activities Centre, camping in the New Forest – things that families would not have had the opportunity to enjoy without the grant. ADV D will be produced.</p> <p>JL/BJ are working with Basingstoke to explain what could be supported in Test Valley.</p>
<p>7.</p>	<p>Information Share</p> <p>CG/JL suggested that the Area Extended Services Co-ordinator could present an item at a future meeting.</p>

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8.	Dates of Future Meetings To take place 10am-12pm on the day of the full partnership meeting, at the Grosvenor Hotel, Stockbridge, Thursday 28 th February 2008 Thursday 22 nd May 2008 Wednesday 2 nd July 2008 Wednesday 15 th October 2008 Wednesday 3 rd December 2008
Signed: Date:	