

# Community Learning MINUTES



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<b>Team:</b>	Test Valley Community Learning Partnership		
<b>Date:</b>	7 July 2010	<b>Copies to:</b>	As Listed
<b>Venue:</b>	The Grosvenor Hotel, Stockbridge 12.00 -2.00pm		

<b>Present</b>		
George Allen (Hampshire Learning)	Lisa Aitken (Enham)	Jenna Bruce (Family Support Worker at "Test 6" Children's Centre Stockbridge Primary School)
David Gleave (TVBC – Co-ordinator of the Group)	Clive Graham (Community Education Manager, Harrow Way Community School)	Lesley Johnson (Community Education Manager Mountbatten School)
Jan Lefley (Community Education Manager, Romsey School)	Melody Mew (Enham and Vice Chair of the Group)	Sue Muldowney (Recreation & Heritage, HCC)
Helen Overton (Hampshire Learning Development Officer)	Terri Sandison (Director of Lifelong Learning and Staff Development, University of Winchester)	
<b>Apologies</b>		
Debbie Dean (Connexions, Eastleigh)	Janet House (Andover Connexions)	Andrea Hulme (Andover Library)
Debra McAndrew (Early Education & Childcare Unit, HCC)	Peter Warburton (Executive Head teacher, Romsey Community School)	Jenny Stevens (Andover Museum)
Anne Rutherford	James Moody	

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<b>Agenda</b>			
1.	Apologies		See above
2.	Minutes of previous meetings on 20 April 2010		
3.	Matters Arising		
4.	Moving the Partnership Forward		
5.	Any Other Business		
6.	Dates of Next Meeting (at Grosvenor Hotel, Stockbridge, 12 noon -2.00pm) 5 October and 7 December 2010		

<b>Summarised notes of the discussion and action points</b>	
1.	<b>Apologies</b> – see above
2.	<b>Minutes of Previous Meeting on 20 April - agreed</b>
3.	<p><b>Matters Arising</b></p> <p>i) <b>Children’s Trusts in Test Valley (CG)</b>            The recent meeting in the north of the Borough had been disappointing both because it had re-visited the rationale for CTs and also because Chris McShane could only fulfil the role on a short term basis.</p> <p>The CT are supposed to submit plans to an HCC Board but how will those plans be put in place?</p> <p>By contrast the first Romsey CT meeting had been more productive in getting to grips with the given priorities of: raising attainment of children at risk of poor outcomes, teenage pregnancy, NEETs and looked after children.</p> <p>It seems likely that it will be about a year before the CTs will be in a position to hold budgets.</p> <p>ii) <b>Stockbridge Learner’s Day 6 March 2010 &amp; Broughton Parish Plan Adult Learning (HO)</b>            Beryl Pratley had successfully applied to Hampshire Learning to help fund a programme of informal learning which is being delivered alongside Family Learning, supported from Romsey/Mountbatten Schools.</p> <p>Arising from the Parish Plan and Stockbridge Learner’s Day a U3A steering</p>

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<p>iii)</p> <p>iv)</p> <p>v)</p>	<p>group, based at Longstock, has been formed called "Test U3A."</p> <p><b>Rural Test Valley Childrens' Centre Links (JB)</b> Possible links could be formed between the new Stockbridge Children's centre (based at Stockbridge Primary school) and managed by The Children's Society and the other rural Test Valley CCs such as Barton Stacey, of which Kim Francis is the co-ordinator.</p> <p><b>The University of Winchester MBAs (TS)</b> The U of W Business School is using Sparsholt/Andover College's customer relationships management database, looking in particular at those learners who have obtained professional qualifications, to run a couple of information/taster sessions for an MBA course in Andover.</p> <p><b>Federation of Primary Schools in north east Andover (CG)</b> The proposed federation of Knight's Enham, Roman Way and the new school at East Anton "Endeavour" has been agreed. Anne Hughes has been appointed as overall head and she will manage three heads of learning. Each school will keep a governing body.</p> <p>Awbridge are consulting with Wellow on a federated structure but Lockerley will not. Broughton has also chosen to appoint a new head teacher.</p>
<p>4.</p>	<p><b>Moving the Partnership Forward (DG, CG, JL)</b></p> <p>DG re-capped on the work of the sub group, which met in January 2010 to discuss suggestions. Given the need to consider what would need to be in place for 2011 and the October 2010 Comprehensive Spending Round (budget cuts) it was felt necessary to hold a meeting of the head teachers of the three community schools in Test Valley which provide adult and community learning before the Summer recess.</p> <p>A meeting, chaired by Roger Tetstall (chief executive of TVBC) and involving representatives of Harrow Way Community School, Romsey Community School and Mountbatten School was held on 23 June 2010.</p> <p>The meeting agreed to:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) pursue a Test Valley Community Learning entity, as the basis for managing (not delivering) Adult and Community Learning in the Borough; and</li> <li>ii) Begin consideration of the wealth of detailed implications necessary for this to work, initially through the aegis of the Test Valley Partnership Education and Learning Group – on which all our organisations are represented.</li> </ul>

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It was generally felt that some kind of new organisation would be needed to manage ACL in Test Valley – possibly a structure with trustees, a charity limited by guarantee or a private company (if Government is to prefer them for training funding).

But community education managers are employed by HCC; how would their employment relate to a separate charity.

LA asked whether the community schools would face a conflict of interest between how they would allocate funds from the district body and how they would want to receive funding to deliver learning? We would need to take advice on this matter.

A Test Valley Learning entity would contract with HCC then sub contract to community schools.

Agreed: JL to contact HCC's Governor Services department, which had advised on the creation of 14-19 consortia, for advice on governance arrangements.

JL was concerned that a significant reduction in funding was coming – both through the Autumn CSR and HCC's redistribution of resources away from Test Valley, which currently receives a disproportionate share. If this were to happen the Valley would lose so much.

A new organisation would also be capable of bidding for external funding and would be able to continue to deliver beyond Test Valley.

How does this fit with Andover College; surely they have to be part of it?

Is Andover College delivering PCDL? GA thought that the College has a PCDL allocation but does not provide an adult offer.

CG was very worried that because the Community Subsidy supports the community education budget in community schools if it disappears then it will severely undermine our collective ability to deliver ACL.

However, JL recounted that while it may seem hard to justify funding for ACL rather than a teacher a recent Ofsted Inspector made a very supportive comment in relation to social inclusion: ACL moved people on, helped make a difference to and improved peoples.

GA saw HCC as becoming the Lead accountable Body for managing ACL across Hampshire. LABs were proposed in the 2009 White Paper as a more accountable means for managing ACL. HCC had submitted an expression of

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	<p>interest and will follow this up with a full bid including delivery plan in Autumn 2010.</p> <p>Although a disproportionate amount of all family learning in Hampshire takes place in Test Valley one of the determining criteria for HCC in managing future provision is to ensure quality of learning and Harrow Way, Romsey and Mountbatten all deliver high quality learning, excellent learner activity and provider engagement.</p>
<p><b>5.</b></p>	<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p> <p>Stockbridge (Phase 3) Children’s Centre, lodged with Stockbridge Primary School. Waiting to appoint a co-ordinator; programme of summer events; working alongside Romsey and Andover Family Learning.</p> <p>Government guidance on new Local Enterprise Partnerships – HCC and Basingstoke will submit bids.</p> <p>Worklessness will increase but Government will switch funding to private training providers - perhaps TABs can advise this partnership?</p> <p>In respect of the new Government preferring private over public training providers, Harrow Way Community School has previously, through its Adult and Family Learning team, drawn down Government funding for the teenage parent learning programme. That funding is now going to a 16-18 private training provider, possibly The Shaw Trust who already have extensive contracts dealing with welfare to work.</p> <p>Ofsted Inspection of Hampshire ACL - GA thanked everyone for their hard work in ensuring the recent inspection resulted in a strong GOOD evaluation – with PCDL as OUTSTANDING. This contrasts with only a satisfaction rating 4 years ago. This result provides a good foundation for the future of the service but reflects years of successful activity based on partnership.</p> <p>Enham is working with local colleges including Farnborough and Chichester and receiving some grant aid from HCC.</p>
<p><b>6.</b></p>	<p><b>Date of Next Meeting</b>  <b>at Grosvenor Hotel, High Street, Stockbridge</b>  <b>5th October 2010 12 noon - 2.00pm</b>  <b><i>PLEASE CONFIRM YOUR ATTENDANCE – THANK YOU</i></b></p>