

Learner's Voice meeting

GL11

21st May 2008

Present: Ann Wheeler- Manager GL11
Viv Jones- TLC Projects Co-ordinator
Colin Moss
Karen Whitlock
Rosheen Winsor
Vera Ward

Apologies: Krisztina Wiltshire
Emma Clark
Misba Uddin

Very positive second meeting of the group. We have been successful in recruiting some more members some of who attended tonight some could not. We look forward to increasing our numbers for the next meeting so if you have friends you think might be interested in getting involved- please bring them along!

Discussion took place around what we class as learning and/or a learner. General view was that learning did not necessarily relate to classroom learning or qualifications. Social learning for young people in particular is vital and should be something we take in to consideration when we are planning projects.

Timing of courses/activities was raised. It was felt it was important to consider working people who would not be able to access learning opportunities during the day and that GL11 should look to broaden what was offered and when.

The group seemed happy to continue meetings in their present form ie getting together once every 2months to discuss ideas/concerns.

An e-forum will be developed to encourage feedback from others who may not be able to commit to meeting due to time constraints or childcare issues. This will be available through the TLC website.

This lead on to a discussion about promotion of activities. GL11 will be having an information stand in Cam and Dursley on Tuesday 28th and Wednesday 29th May. It was suggested that the timing of this should be at lunchtime to maximise the number of people around.

The website will be extended and improved to engage young people and the e-forum added.

It was suggested that we make more use of Rednock School as a way of promoting activities. This will be taken forward by leaflets etc being sent to the school for distribution.

Colin advised that he could provide a link through the Gloucestershire Youth Offending team who can help with giving out information.

The group discussed outreach work, with particular reference to North Nibley. It was felt that the surrounding areas should be giving consideration for future projects. It was suggested that instead of putting things on in Nibley, money should be invested in transporting young people over to GL11.

Rosheen was congratulated on her nomination for County Adult Learners Award. A case study of her achievements and progression is currently being written to further highlight her successes- Congratulations again!

Actions from meeting

Viv to contact Colin to arrange meeting to discuss possible youth projects and link with Nibley Music Festival.

Next meeting- Wednesday 23rd July, 6:15pm at GL11