

## Elizabeth wins prize for completing questionnaire

Helping build a picture of the learning and training needs of local people has won Cam mother of three Elizabeth Stackman a meal for two at Dursley's Old Spot Inn.

Elizabeth, who is currently studying for her Diploma in Pre-School Practice at GL11 Community Project in Cam, received her prize by filling out a short questionnaire for The Learning Community – part of GL11. All completed questionnaires are entered into the prize draw, once every quarter.

*She said: "I was surprised to win – filling in the questionnaire was easy to do and I was happy to help as I think it's important to have a say in what needs to happen locally. Doing the course at GL11 is perfect for me as it fits in around school and playgroup. I have friends who do courses there too because they don't have a car and wouldn't be able to get to college in Stroud."*

As part of TLC's work funded by the Big Lottery's Reaching Communities programme, local residents are being asked to help raise awareness of local learning and training opportunities, have more input in courses and identify and tackle barriers to learning.

Everyone who helps fill in a short questionnaire is eligible for a free quarterly prize draw to win meal for two at the Old Spot. Steve Herbert, manager of the award-winning pub, is keen to support more local training courses – several members of his staff have attended free food hygiene, first aid and health and safety courses at GL11 and other local venues.

The questionnaire results will feed into future work to tackle barriers to learning, focus on providing courses local people actually want, and help give learners a voice. The postcard questionnaires are available at Dursley Library, GL11 Community Project, Dursley Education Centre, Vale Vision.

During the summer, local people will also be able to enter the prize draw by filling in a questionnaire at the many local events and festivals where TLC and GL11 will be part of the festivities.

Pictured below: Prize winner Elizabeth Stackman (right) with Old Spot manager Steve Herbert and Viv Jones from GL11 The Learning Community

