

Annual Report 2005/2006

Supporting Families

This year Banstead, Epsom & Ewell Community Learning Partnership (BEECLP) successfully spearheaded an initiative to introduce family learning into local primary and infant schools.

The project began as an awareness raising activity which quickly expanded to the implementation of family learning programmes due to the amount of interest generated by the information campaign.

Requests for family learning were received from 7 out of 16 schools, almost 50% of the schools that were contacted. These include: Banstead Infant, Cuddington Croft Primary, Epsom Primary,

St. Clement's Primary, Stamford Green Primary, The Vale Primary and Warren Mead Infant Schools.

Course requirements ranged from Computing for the Terrified and Keeping Up with the Children, to Parenting and Family Literacy.

Thus far, family learning and wider family learning programmes have been arranged for four schools with plans for another school already underway. In addition, two more schools intend to place a request for learning support in the near future.

It is estimated approxi-



Family ICT

mately 50 people will benefit from the programmes, many from areas with multiple needs.

This Banstead, Epsom & Ewell Community Learning Partnership project is supported through collaboration with Family Links, NESCOL and Surrey County Council's departments of Family Learning and Widening Participation.

Message from the Chair



Sue Gent

Welcome to the second Banstead, Epsom & Ewell Community Learning Partnership (BEECLP) Annual Report - it hardly seems possible that another year has slipped by.

The report sets out to capture our progress, as a partnership of local providers, in meeting the

needs of the community in Banstead, Epsom & Ewell in terms of education, training and personal development.

At the June 2005 meeting we discussed suggested priorities submitted by BEECLP members - 26 suggestions in all.

After a lively debate, it was agreed that for 2005 our priorities would be Family Learning, learners making the transition between education and employment and excluded groups. Charlene has kept us updated on progress with the priorities and progress has been made.

Attendance at meetings has been patchy, possibly due to scheduled times. As a result, Charlene surveyed attendees and there was support for 8.30 meetings to be discontinued and for future meetings to start at 4pm.

One of the real advantages of these meetings is getting to know other providers and to hear about the great variety of work that is happening in the area. In view of LSC reforms and funding concerns in general, it is more important than ever that we work together and pool resources to really **(cont'd page 2)**

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Did you know?

- The Banstead, Epsom & Ewell Community Learning Partnership membership is comprised of more than 50 organisations
- New members joining in 2005/2006: Eb-bisham Association, Friendship Scheme, Employer Engagement at NESCOL, Family Learning, HMP High Down, NACRO, Surrey Hills Onward Learning, Surrey Parenting Education & Support and Youth Development Service

In the Community — Mobile Learning

There is an expression that there are no hard to reach learners, only hard to reach providers.

The objective of the Banstead, Epsom & Ewell Community Learning Partnership's (BEECLP) project was to establish mobile learning in the residential area of a community with multiple needs. By bringing training to the learner, thereby removing the barrier of transportation and its associated costs, we could better access hard to reach learners and encourage them to take advantage of training opportunities.

Between September 2005 and April 2006 two 12 week courses were offered to NEET young people on the Longmead estate; the

first initiatives of their kind. A maximum of eight learners could attend each course and a total of 11 students completed the programme.

During the course the young people received training in bricklaying, plumbing, construction and the industry in general. They also had the opportunity to speak with staff from a number of providers to discuss their options on progression to further education, training and entering the workforce.

Since their training most students have decided to make an application to NESCOL's construction programme, one student is working full time and one

student was successful in having a trial with a local building firm.

Funding for the project was sourced from BEECLP partners who provided financial and in-kind support. Contributors include ACL, Community Coordinator for Court and Ruxley, Connexions, Jobcentre Plus, NESCOL, SEBP and YDS.

Based on the success of the first project additional funding has been sourced (Awards For All) to provide two new terms beginning September 2006. This second phase will provide motor vehicle training and focus on unemployed adults recruited in partnership with Jobcentre Plus.



Bricklaying



Finished Product



Soldering

Young People at Risk

Work with excluded learners is a challenging area which requires a great deal of forward planning.

In 2005 an Action Group was established to discuss target groups and available provision for this Banstead, Epsom & Ewell Community Learning Partnership (BEECLP) priority.

It was agreed that the Action Group would work closely with SCC's Department of Behaviour and Social Exclusion and the secondary school heads who were identifying their curriculum needs for at risk young people.

Recently, the heads determined it would be best to direct resources to year 9's at risk of exclusion. The BEECLP's Community Learning Adviser will work with the schools in the development of their alternative curriculum. Once this is agreed, the CLA has been asked to arrange the requisite provision in partnership with providers.

It is hoped that the new curriculum will be in place in all secondary schools within the BEECLP: Blenheim, Epsom & Ewell, Glyn, Rosebery and The Beacon during the 2006/2007 year.

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make a difference.

Finally to Charlene – you will all now be aware that Charlene will be leaving us soon and moving on to foreign parts. I would like to thank Charlene personally for her continued support and for all the effort she puts in on behalf of the CLP. I hope you will join me in wishing her well for the future and Bon Voyage.

Social Inclusion Conference

A Social Inclusion Conference was held in Woking during November 2005. The Banstead, Epsom & Ewell Community Learning Partnership was asked to present a stand depicting work in the self-reliance areas of Longmead and Watersedge Estates (Court and Ruxley Wards).

The conference was a valuable event where organisations working in self-reliance areas came together to share ideas and best practice for working in communi-

ties with high levels of deprivation.

BEECLP projects such as mobile learning in the community, young people at risk of exclusion and family learning were highlighted, in addition to the work of CLP member organisations.

Thank yous are extended to Aim-higher, Lighthouse, NESCOL, Surrey Care Trust, University College for the Creative Arts Epsom Campus and Youth Develop-



Promoting the BEECLP's work in Longmead and Watersedge Estates

ment Service for their contributions to the display.

Intelligence Report: Valuable Resource for Planning

The latest version of the Local Intelligence Report was circulated in May 2006. This 68 page report contains details on local learning initiatives, statistics, Local Strategic Partnerships and CLP work in Banstead, Epsom & Ewell.

New to the report are Super Output Area (SOA) Scores of all SOAs in both Epsom & Ewell and

Banstead. As well, there are many new maps highlighting SOA information. Of particular interest is a map illustrating qualification levels in the area.

The Local Intelligence Report is a valuable resource for the Learning and Skills Council and Surrey Lifelong Learning Partnership's Strategic Planning Group (see article below) as well as for

other funders and providers working in the Banstead, Epsom & Ewell CLP area. Important information on learner needs can be found as well as a description of provider activity in corresponding locations of need.

The Local Intelligence Report is available to download at www.surreyllp.org.uk/site/research/localintelligencereports

Strategic Planning Groups

Strategic Planning allows the leaders of organisations which provide and support learning to pool their resources and share information. The benefits of such partnership working is to improve effectiveness and responsiveness of provision whilst making best use of resources.

The region of the Banstead, Epsom & Ewell Community Learning Partnership falls under the South East Planning Group. Members include NESCOL, East Surrey College, Reigate College, the LSC, Surrey Lifelong Learning Partnership, ACL, Connexions, Jobcentre Plus, learndirect, nextstep, Surrey Care Trust, Surrey Community Action, Surrey Hills Learning and SROCN.

The BEECLP's Community Learning Adviser, Charlene Keddy, sits on the SE planning group and leads the local provision and marketing task groups.

Members of the SE Provision Task Group have agreed to offer provision in a number of Super Output Areas (SOA) where 55% or more of the population do not have a Level 2 qualification.

Within Epsom & Ewell these selected SOAs are found in Court and Ruxley wards. Preston ward SOAs will be targeted in the Banstead area.

Discussions are underway to determine the scope of additional provision for these wards.

The marketing task group has also been busy with learners in all boroughs as well as marketing staff of all providers consulted on various marketing propositions. It is expected that the resulting reports will be available later this year.



Strategic Planning Groups in Surrey

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learners and employers to
improve the provision of
learning and address skill
shortages.**

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Message from SLLP Chief Executive

Once again I would like to take this opportunity to thank members of the Community Learning Partnership (CLP) for their ongoing support. A lot is achieved within the Community Learning Partnership meetings which is not always appreciated. I know, for example, that many of you find the sharing of information between individual members illuminating and that this in itself can often lead to new partnership working. Of course it is always good when a new CLP project bears fruit and very good progress has been made on the Family Learning and Mobile Provision projects.



Kevin Delf

You will be aware that since last year Surrey Lifelong Learning Partnership Ltd has been taking a more prominent role in facilitating the process of collaborative planning of Adult Learning on behalf of the Surrey LSC. The intelligence provided by the Community Learning Partnership has been invaluable, as has the help provided by those members who became involved in task group work to support the planning process.

A special thank you also to Sue Gent for acting as Chair and also for representing the CLP on the Partnership's Advisory Group.

Finally, Charlene Keddy will be leaving the Partnership at the end of May. Charlene has made a huge impact in her two years as Community Learning Adviser. As is typical of Charlene, she has updated her Local Intelligence and Project Reports before she leaves so that everything is in order for her successor. We are very sad to be losing Charlene. We wish her well for the future.

Honours for BEECLP members and their learners at the Surrey Adult Learner Awards

Five awards were handed to members of the Banstead, Epsom & Ewell Community Learning Partnership and their learners at the second annual Surrey Adult Learner Awards on May 23rd.

In total, nine individual adult learner awards, two tutor awards

and four group learning awards were presented at the ceremony which was held in conjunction with Adult Learners Week.

Principal sponsors of the awards were Surrey Lifelong Learning Partnership and Surrey Adult and Community Learning. The

ceremony was sponsored by Surrey Learning and Skills Council.

More than 85 nominations were received from across the county so BEECLP members did well to win five of the 15 awards. Photos of these winners are below.



From Left to Right: Tina Pattinson (NESCOL) Joint Learner of the Year, Raquela Mosquera (Surrey Care Trust) Learning Champion of the Year, Andrew Shea (NESCOL) Young Learner of the Year, Mary Chambers (Surrey Care Trust) Joint Learner of the Year, Broome Park Nursing Home (NESCOL), Healthcare Employer of the Year

