

Runnymede and Spelthorne Community
Learning Partnerships
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Various activities and actions have taken place during the year 2004/5 in both Runnymede and Spelthorne Community Learning Partnerships, and with an array of committed partners on-board, the future looks prosperous for 2005/6. Some of the year's activities are highlighted herewith. Thanks to you all, as partners and to the Chairs, for your commitment and for making these achievable.

CUSTOMER SERVICE TRAINING PROGRAMME – Spelthorne and beyond.

The CLP submitted a successful £15,000 bid to BAA Heathrow earlier in 2005 and work is well underway for train-the-trainer sessions to commence in October that will extend the delivery of the programme to learners. The funding has enabled the Customer Service curriculum to be developed and produced by Surrey Education Business Partnership in the form of a student manual and a trainer manual, and also for the train-the-trainer events to take place (3 in Spelthorne, 1 in East Surrey, and another for providers working in the London boroughs under the Heathrow Terminal 5 Local Labour Strategy).

The one-day course programme is aimed equally at school and college students as well as adult learners. It is hoped that by training a range of trainers, the course can be delivered in a diverse and extensive range of organisations to benefit learners Borough and County-wide in up-skilling people in Customer Service skills.

The training events will be held in October and November 2005 in addition to a session on 19th January 2006 to which CLP members will be invited.

Research

ADDLESTONE BOURNESIDE

Arising from a Runnymede CLP meeting, it was felt that whilst Chertsey St Ann's and Egham Hythe are higher up on the Index of Multiple Deprivation (IMD2004), other wards such as Addlestone Bourneside also merited attention and investigation. Little was known about the ward and the extent to which learning activities were taking place, or the level of need. A summary report was therefore produced by the CLA and it is hoped that it will result in some learning activities in the ward. Discussions are currently taking place with Addlestone Toy Library that visits the ward and has a high number of users who may wish to benefit from some learning. Copies of the report may be obtained from Kate Shore, CLA.

FAMILY LEARNING FUN DAY 2004!

Staines Community Centre was once again host to the third consecutive family learning day organised by Spelthorne Community Learning Partnership during Family Learning Week 2004. The Centre and the High Street came to life as the event attracted its largest crowd so far. Funded by Surrey County Council, there was a range of free learning activities for all the family to enjoy together. Children had the opportunity to make and learn to play their very own didgeridoo, whilst learning about its Aborigine origins. First aid, computer skills, craft activities and 'panning for gold' and others were well received by the local community. Furthermore, careers advice and information on local adult education courses was available on the day. Ashford C of E Primary School performed a short drama, both in the Community centre and on the High Street, which was enjoyed by the spectators and participants alike.



Children enjoying the creative activities on the day

...Moving forward to 2005

Plans are well underway for this year's event on Saturday 15th October with a range of activities and sponsorship gladly received from BAA Heathrow, BUPA and the Three Oaks Trust.

Local Strategic Partnership Links

2004 was successful for establishing strong CLP and LSP links in Runnymede and Spelthorne. Both CLPs now represent the learning and skills arm of the LSPs and are reflected in the Community Plan and Strategy in the boroughs.

RUNNYMEDE: Having adopted the learning targets of the Community Plan, a new Learning Plan for Runnymede has been written. The plan now incorporates a section on the Retention and Participation of 14 – 19 year olds as a key priority, and likewise the links with the Local Education Authority and its Education Development Plan. With an increasing membership from a diverse range of organisations, it is an exciting time for the CLP and its future activities.

SPELTHORNE : LSP ASSEMBLY.

Kate Shore was pleased to present to Spelthorne LSP annual Assembly in January 2005 about the learning achievements of the CLP, it's role and links with the LSP. Attendees included a range of members of the community, service providers and organisations within Spelthorne. A marketing stand was also produced highlighting key achievements of 2003 and 2004.

SPELTHORNE COMMUNITY PLAN 2005 - 2015.

The Community Plan was launched in July 2005 and is a comprehensive document for the borough around crime, health, environment, youth etc. The CLP has written the targets for the 'Learning Spelthorne' section of the Community Plan and is pleased to be part of this strategy.

Learning at Work Day 2005

Spanish good for your health?

Runnymede CLP funded a Spanish tutor to teach some basic Spanish at the BUPA offices. The demand for the class was extremely popular so BUPA paid for another session. I

Colleagues teach tennis to staff.

Spelthorne Borough Council staff had the opportunity to learn some tennis skills in a beginners and intermediates taster session on learning at work day. One of the staff members is a qualified tennis coach and shared her skills with her colleagues during the national campaign of Adult Learners Week.

CLP MEMBERSHIP MORE THAN DOUBLE!

Runnymede CLP has been pleased to welcome new partners to its meetings with its membership more than doubling over the last year. With 18 attendees and 20 apologies at the July meeting, and 23 attendees at previous meetings, this has increased significantly since 2003 and early 2004.

WEBSITE: The Surrey Lifelong Learning Partnership has a website which includes information on all the CLPs plus research and other information. Visit www.surreyllp.org.uk

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BASIC SKILLS IN BRONZEFIELD PRISON

Following discussions with the CLA and the Prison, Brooklands College are now providing a basic skills tutor at the prison to help the inmates in Ashford.

Thank you to CLP members for your time, commitment and contribution during 2004/5. We look forward to continue working collaboratively and for the benefit of the learning community in Runnymede and Spelthorne.