

Community Learning Champions Support Programme

Promoting the value of learning

Regional launch events

Please attend the event in your region only.

Region	Date	Venue
London & the South East	Tuesday 19 January 2010	Abbey Centre, London
South West	Thursday 21 January 2010	Hestercombe Gardens, Taunton
West Midlands	Wednesday 27 January 2010	BVSC, Birmingham
East of England	Thursday 28 January 2010	Meadows Community Centre, Cambridge
East Midlands	Friday 29 January 2010	Nottingham Art Exchange
Yorkshire and the Humber	Thursday 4 February 2010	St. George's Centre, Leeds
North East	Monday 8 February 2010	Newcastle Civic Centre
North West	Thursday 11 February 2010	Kings House Conference Centre, Manchester

**THE LEARNING REVOLUTION
COMMUNITY LEARNING CHAMPIONS SUPPORT PROGRAMME**

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Regional Launch Events

The National Support Programme for Community Learning Champions (CLCs) - proposed in the White Paper The Learning Revolution (BIS 2009) – will be launched in the nine English regions during January and February 2010.

The aims of these regional events are to:

- inform participants of the National Support Programme and how they can benefit from it
- provide an opportunity to network and learn from each other and other relevant regional schemes and programmes
- discuss the future format of network support for the region
- discuss representation at the Community Learning Champion Voice group
- share information and resources that arise from other Learning Revolution projects.

Background

Community Learning Champions are enthusiastic volunteers who promote the value of learning to friends, neighbours and relatives. Across the country Community Learning Champions (also known as ambassadors, buddies and mentors) are known to make a difference to the lives of others and of the communities in which they live.

The National Support Programme provides an opportunity to build on and extend good practice. It aims to bring national coherence to local developments, raise the profile of the CLC approach and embed it in a wide range of activities where informal adult learning can enhance the quality of life for individuals and

communities, especially those facing disadvantage and discrimination.

The Programme is funded by the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills (BIS) and is being delivered by a consortium comprising NIACE, the Workers' Educational Association, unionlearn and Martin Yarnit Associates.

The National Support Programme has three main elements:

- a support package including a CLC toolkit, a training and development framework, a free training programme plus regional networks and a website
- a Development Fund which will fund up to 50 local CLC initiatives in 2009-11
- a branding and badging scheme to accredit CLCs and to raise their profile across the country.

Audience

These regional events will be of interest to:

- Community Learning Champions and managers of existing CLC schemes based in the region
- CLCs and managers from schemes which are benefitting from Phase 1 of the Development Fund
- CLCs and managers running CLC Schemes which have been funded through the Transformation Fund
- Those considering setting up CLC schemes in the future.

Programme

- 10:00** Arrival and registration (tea/coffee available)
- 10:30** Welcome and introduction to the day:
The Learning Revolution
The Support Programme
- 10.45** Getting to know about each other in the region:
Activity 1 - Round the table then round the room sharing of information about schemes and activities (participants will be sent details of this activity in their joining papers)
- 11.15** Tea/coffee break
- 11.30** What do we mean by Community Learning Champions?
Sharing some definitions and a chance to view three short videos introducing different approaches to CLC activity
Questions/answers/discussion
- 12.00** The elements of the Support Programme – an opportunity to find out more and to make comments about the content of:
The Toolkit
The Training Framework
The Website
Branding, badging and registration
Gathering information and data about CLCs and their activities
- 13.00** Lunch
- 13.45** Feedback and questions about the support programme
- 14.15** News and input from regional initiatives that can support CLCs or those who work with them
- 14:30** Round table discussion
- 1) What do you want out of a regional network?
 - 2) How would it best work?
- 15:15** Plenary- feedback and agreeing the way forward
- 15:30** Close (tea/coffee available)

Event information

- Arrival and registration is at 10:00am for a 10:30am start. The event will end at 3:30pm
- Attendance is free (includes lunch, tea/coffee)
- Places will be allocated in order of receipt of completed application forms (one form per person)
- Completed and signed application forms must be faxed or posted to NIACE by the closing date. Reservations by telephone cannot be accepted
- Application forms are individually acknowledged by e-mail. Joining instructions, including map and directions, will be e-mailed out one week before the event
- Participants should be prepared to take their own notes as there will not be handouts for all sessions.
- If you have not received an e-mail confirming your attendance and joining instructions 4 working days before the event please contact:

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Application conditions

- Substitutions are to be advised **5 working days** prior to the event
- A **10 working days** notice period is required for provision of electronic note-takers, sign language interpreters and transcription to Braille
- Places will be limited to 2 representatives from each organisation
- Places on each regional event will be allocated to those working in that region.

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I would like to reserve a place on the following seminar in the region I work in:

Event date	Ref No.	Closing date
<input type="checkbox"/> London & the South East - Tuesday 19 January 2010, London	EVE1010LO	Thursday 7 January 2010
<input type="checkbox"/> South West - Thursday 21 January 2010, Taunton	EVE1010SW	Thursday 7 January 2010
<input type="checkbox"/> West Midlands - Wednesday 27 January 2010, Birmingham	EVE1010WM	Thursday 14 January 2010
<input type="checkbox"/> East of England - Thursday 28 January 2010, Cambridge	EVE1010EA	Thursday 14 January 2010
<input type="checkbox"/> East Midlands - Friday 29 January 2010, Nottingham	EVE1010EM	Thursday 14 January 2010
<input type="checkbox"/> Yorkshire and the Humber - Thursday 4 February 2010, Leeds	EVE1010YH	Thursday 21 January 2010
<input type="checkbox"/> North East - Monday 8 February 2010, Newcastle	EVE1010NE	Thursday 28 January 2010
<input type="checkbox"/> North West - Thursday 11 February 2010, Manchester	EVE1010NW	Thursday 28 January 2010

Participant's details

Title _____ Full name _____

Job title _____ Organisation _____

Daytime tel No. _____ Mobile No. _____ Fax No. _____

Please provide an e-mail address that is your own and regularly accessed as this will be used to send you joining instructions.

E-mail

Please indicate which sector you work in: _____

Address _____

Postcode _____

This is my Home address Work address

Joining instructions will be sent by e-mail, if you would prefer to receive these by post, please tick this box

Participant's requirements

Please specify any requirements for access or equipment

I have the following dietary requirements

Agreement - I accept the NIACE Event Information and Application Conditions

Signature _____

Date _____

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