



Community Learning Partnership
Partneriaeth Dysgu Cymunedol

Presentation to Vale of Glamorgan Scrutiny Committee

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Estyn Monitoring Visit

In response to unsatisfactory inspections of Adult Community Learning in Cardiff and Vale of Glamorgan in 2013, Estyn returned to conduct a monitoring visit between 12th and 15th January 2015.

It was expected that Estyn would conduct a full re-inspection of the Partnership in 12 months time. To focus on all aspects of the common inspection framework.



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Judgements

1. Improve success rates and accreditation for all learners – ***very good progress***
2. Improve the strategic leadership management and co-ordination of ACL – ***very good progress***
3. Review and revise the curriculum; Improve the provision for developing literacy and numeracy skills – ***strong progress***
4. Analyse data robustly and improve quality processes – ***very good progress***
5. Improve the quality of teaching – ***strong progress***
6. Improve the support available for learners – ***strong progress***

This was a very positive outcome for the Partnership



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Estyn have concluded that the CAVCLP has made such ‘Very Good’ and ‘Strong Progress’ that they are confident the Partnership will continue to improve and do not therefore need to carry out further monitoring visits or re-inspection.

This does not however mean that the partnership will be in any way complacent and partners have renewed their effort for further improvement through their action plan ‘**Journey to Excellence**’.



Journey to Excellence

- Achieve a Partnership success rate at or above the ACL national comparator in 2013/14, and an increase of 2% in 2014/15 (88%) and a further increase of 2% in 2015 (90%).
- Produce and implement a marketing strategy which promotes ACL to priority learners.
- Establish a baseline figure for the number of employment-related qualifications successfully completed across the Partnership. Set and monitor annual targets for 2015/15 and 2015/16.
- Develop and deliver Level 2 Volunteer Training for ESOL and ABE to provide in-class support.
- Implement Course Performance Initiative to provide a mechanism for monitoring and managing underperforming courses.
- Identify and pilot a model for judging value for money that is based on improved success rates and increased enrolments from priority learners.
- Themes for cross partnership observations to include support ALN; use of ILPs; and embedding Essential Skills i.e. recorded in lesson plans, use of appropriate resources, use of literacy/numeracy marking schemes etc.
- Production of regular learner and tutor newsletters.



ACL Grant Allocation 2016-17

Letter from Andrew Clark

Deputy Director – Further Education and Apprenticeships Division

Department for Education and Skills

‘ I am pleased to confirm that ACL provision is also subject to the same 2.0 per cent unit rate increase in line with other areas of post-16 learning’.

The Vale of Glamorgan County Council	Total 2015-16 Allocation	Total 2016-2017 Allocation	Variation between 2015-16 and 2016-17	Variation between 2015-16 and 2016-17
	£	£	£	%
	232,413	237,061	4,648	2.00%



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New Welsh for Adults Contract with Y Ganolfan Dysgu Cymraeg Genedlaethol

£271,440 x 3 years

Previous Sub-contract with Cardiff
University £126,665 2013/14



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Vale Courses

Age Group	2014-15		Target
16-24 Years	101	3%	
25-59 Years	1018	31%	
60+ Years	2153	66%	
Total No of Enrolments	3272		2730

Fee Type	No of Enrolments	%	Target %
Band A Full Fee	1460	45%	30%
Band B Concession	1812	55%	70%



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Other Measurable Improvements

- Vale ACL success rates 2014/15 86.6%
- Partnership overall success rates 92%
- Increase in % of Learners from Deprivation deciles 1 & 2 in the Vale from 10% to 35%
- Communities first area learners increased from 6% to 34%
- 20% increase in % of male learners.

