



Responding to Leitch:

Implications for adult learners and community regeneration

Tuesday, 11th September 2007

Hosted by Professor Danny Saunders and his team at the Centre for Lifelong Learning, University of Glamorgan.

This event will provide much needed focus and debate on The Leitch Report, the recently published UK Government's response to Leitch, and examples of innovative programmes and good practice in adult education and community regeneration.

Keynote speakers:

Rob Humphreys, Director for Wales, Open University in Wales

Sue Graham, Work-related Learning Manager, Northumbria University

Workshops

Workshops will focus on three areas: 'Glamorgan GATES' a partnership between the University of Glamorgan and the Communities First Unit of the Welsh Assembly Government; Intergenerational practice in the workplace and community; and the Higher Levels Skills Pathfinder Project which promotes flexible pathways for adult learners to deliver benefits to both business and communities.

Who should attend

Policy-makers, researchers and practitioners in adult and community/family education, employers and the business community, and those interested in regional regeneration.



University of Glamorgan



Attendance fees: £65 for FACE members, £75 for non-FACE delegates

See attached booking form below

Day's Programme

- 10.00 Registration & Refreshments
- 11.00 Welcome and Aims of the Day - Professor Danny Saunders, University of Glamorgan
- 11.15 Keynote Speech: Rob Humphreys, Director, Open University in Wales
- 12.00 Workshops, session One:
Workshop 1 Higher Levels Skills Pathfinder Project Project
Workshop 2 Intergenerational Learning in the Workplace
Workshop 3 Glamorgan GATES: Arts, popular culture, and media as vehicles
for informal learning and skill enhancement
- 12.45 Lunch
- 13.30 Keynote Speech: Sue Graham, Work-related Learning Manager, Northumbria University
HE and the Leitch agenda– some flexible approaches to workforce development
- 14.15 Workshops, session Two:
Workshop 1 Higher Levels Skills Pathfinder Project Project
Workshop 2 Intergenerational Learning in the Workplace
Workshop 3 Glamorgan GATES: Arts, popular culture, and media as vehicles
for informal learning and skill enhancement
- 15.00 Plenary & Feedback, Professor Danny Saunders, University of Glamorgan
- 15.20 Refreshments and Depart

Speakers

Danny Saunders is Professor and Director of the Centre for Lifelong Learning at the University of Glamorgan. He specialises in widening access to higher education and has published over 100 articles and books. Danny contributes to a wide range of lifelong learning committees and working groups and has developed Glamorgan Outreach and First Campus partnerships with over 200 schools and community groups in South Wales. Current research involves developing the role of the Learning Coach in Wales. Danny is a member of the Ministerial Advisory Group in the Department of Education Lifelong Learning and Skills within the Welsh Assembly Government.

Rob Humphreys recently took up his new post as Director for Wales for the Open University. He was previously Director for Wales of the National Institute of Adult Continuing Education (NIACE) and has particular research interests in citizenship adult education and widening participation in higher education. He has published widely in these fields. Rob's contribution to adult education in Wales has been recognised by the Welsh Assembly Government in his January 2007 appointment to the Ministerial Advisory Group for Education Lifelong Learning and Skills.

Sue Graham is Work-related Learning (WRL) Manager at Northumbria University and her professional background is in teaching / teacher-training (English as a Foreign Language). She is responsible for a small central team coordinating and developing Northumbria University's flexible work-based learning activity in response to employer demand. Sue has an interest in pedagogy of lifelong/work-based learning and is module tutor on Northumbria University's new MA in Lifelong Learning.

Workshops and their leaders

Workshop One: Higher Levels Skills Pathfinder Project Project

The universities of South West England have much to offer to businesses and non-profit making organisations in the region. The Higher Skills Project aims to meet the demands of employers by providing them with higher level skills training to improve their business offering. Training offered will be targeted to business drivers and delivered in a flexible manner. Employees will be given the opportunity to work towards university-level awards as part of their professional development, often accessing training from different universities to lead to a final qualification via a credit framework agreement. A team of intermediaries is working across the region to define demand from employers for university-level skills training. They will then develop an appropriate higher education training solution to match the business need.

Shamala Govindasamy is the project manager for the Higher Level Skills Pathfinder Project in the southwest region of England. Previous to this post she was responsible for diversifying and expanding the portfolio of DTI sponsored Knowledge Transfer Partnerships at the University of Exeter. She is currently studying for a Masters degree in Management from the University of Exeter and a Postgraduate Certificate in Knowledge Transfer from the Open University.

Workshop Two: Intergenerational Learning in the Workplace

This workshop focuses on Intergenerational Practice and the role it can play in community regeneration. Key to understanding Intergenerational Practice is that it aims to bring generations together in purposeful, mutually beneficial activities which promote greater understanding and respect between the generations and help to build more cohesive communities. The workshop will highlight how intergenerational practice can facilitate skill sharing and confidence building between the generations, using illustrative examples of intergenerational projects including Glamorgan Outreach's "Write On" project, which also offers an accredited route.

Kathryn Addicott is a senior lecturer with Glamorgan Outreach, and the training manager for the Wales Centre for Intergenerational Practice (CCIP), at the University of Glamorgan. She was a deputy director with a voluntary agency for a number of years and joined the university to deliver a community-based intergenerational project which addresses the issues of stereotyping, communication skills, and community relationships. Her academic interests lie in the fields of management and communication studies, and intergenerational practice (IP). Kathryn is currently further developing a range of short courses within the field of intergenerational practice in response to identified need within Wales, as well as collaborating on the design of additional projects.

Workshop Three: Glamorgan GATES: Arts, popular culture, and media as vehicles for informal learning and skill enhancement

This workshop will examine the aims, objectives and achievements of the University of Glamorgan's GATES Project in Merthyr Tydfil. This initiative seeks to use the medium of project work in the arts, popular culture, and media as the basis of engagement/re-engagement with informal learning, skill enhancement, training, and self-development.

Keith Davies is the GATES Project Director at the Centre for Lifelong Learning, University of Glamorgan. At the University of Wales, Swansea Keith was lecturer in Continuing Education, responsible for developing a BA (part-time) Degree Programme in Humanities and on which he also taught a range of European history courses. In 2002, he joined the Centre for Lifelong Learning at the University of Glamorgan, with responsibility for developing the GATES Project and for setting up a summer programme of courses and day schools.

FACE 2007 Seminar Registration Form

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