

Redbridge Learning Collaborative

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Working Together

Report of the fourth Quarterly Information Event on 26th October 2007 at the Gloucester Room, Ilford Central Library

The attendance of this Quarterly Information event was good, although many did not turn up who had booked. 65 delegates booked a place and 41 delegates from 32 organisations attended the event.

The following presentations were made:

LDQ: Terry Cocklin, Learning and Development Coordinator made a presentation on the new Learning Disability Qualifications

Cheryl Gregory presented an overview of the projects and current opportunities of Skills for Care. Please see separate attachment of the presentation slides.

Clare Lewis introduced to delegates the Care Ambassador Scheme and the benefits there may be for care organisations to nominate staff to become a Care Ambassador.

Lunch was provided and there was intensive networking going on.

Evaluation Forms

8 evaluation forms were completed and their feedback is summarised as follows:

- The majority felt that the event was very well prepared and organised (2). Two made no comment.
- The majority felt that the event was valuable to them (5) and one felt only some was valuable for them. Two made no comment.
- The majority felt that at the event that the attitude and approach of the speakers was very good (4).
- The majority felt that the presenters had excellent or very good knowledge of the subject. (4).
- The majority felt that the handouts were very good (5) the food was very good (4) and the suitability of the venue were excellent (4).

Comments on what areas was most useful/important to delegates:

- Networking

- Workshop has provided opportunity for interaction and information share.
- Ability to access training programmes
- The LDQ info was 'new' info but all was useful to me.
- Enjoyed the Care Ambassador Scheme presentation, it is a creative scheme.
- The information on new developments in the social care sector, eg., L & D opportunities, the handouts and ability to network. I think the time slots were good.
- Skills for Care presentation and the Care Ambassadors presentation were both really informative and very useful

Found the information with regards to the training available very useful and it was interesting to meet our representatives

Suggestions for future topics at these events were:

- Would have like more relevant information for the voluntary sector

Additional comments were:

- Did come away from the event feeling quite positive after the discussions with the voluntary sector rep and feel this is a long-overdue but big step forward. It was also good to have another sector attendee present as I didn't feel so marginalised.
- Thank you!

This feedback was taken back to the RLC steering group to be analysed and acted upon, where necessary.

All in all it was a very interesting event! Thanks for those who attended and made their valuable contribution. Let's hope we will see you again next time!