

Spotlight 23 | Adult Learning Service

Welcome

keeping you in touch with the latest Adult Learning news across the region and nationally.

We look forward to receiving your feedback and any information that you would like to be included in future newsletters.

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Please circulate our newsletter to everyone working on projects for the Adult Learning Service, and to anyone that you feel may be interested in learning more about what we do!



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The Adult Learning Service

Don't forget to find out more by visiting our website: [Learnsuffolk.org](https://learnsuffolk.org)

Service News

Further Education COVID-19 Operational Guidance

Following the Prime Minister's announcement on 21st February, DfE have updated the FE Sector COVID-19 Operational Guidance to reflect the changes.

Please see the latest guidance [here](#).

You can find the full government "living with covid plan" [here](#).

Suffolk Adult Learners Awards 2022 | 30 June 2022

Nominations now open!!



For information, downloadable poster and nominations forms, [visit the webpage here](#).

The Suffolk Adult Learning Awards celebrates learning and aims to engage more adults into learning. We are looking for remarkable individuals whose stories will be inspirational to others who hear and read about them. We want to hear the very best stories about adults who, through learning, have transformed their own lives and the lives of their families, friends, their communities, and the places they work. The individual may have:

- learnt new skills for personal or professional development
- achieved something they never thought was possible
- transformed their lives and the lives of those around them

Your nomination will give the learner recognition for their outstanding achievements, boost their self-confidence and will celebrate the positive impact learning has had on their life.

Winners of the awards in each category will have made a significant difference to their lives through learning and would inspire others to do the same, achieving beyond what they ever thought was possible.

Please share widely with your contacts and encourage nominations!

New Marketing Email Address

We now have our own email address which we will use for marketing activities, Spotlight, LearnSuffolk.org etc : learnsuffolk@suffolk.gov.uk.

Promoting up-coming courses in Spotlight

If you have any Adult Learning courses that you would like to promote in future editions, please send details by 20th of the month to: learnsuffolk@suffolk.gov.uk

Contract Catch-up

Catch up on meetings, data, events and updates.

Latest ESFA Funded Adult Education Budget: Funding and Performance Rules 2021-22 – v3

The ESFA have published their latest Funding and Performance Rules (February 2022 - version 3).

For full details please click [here](#)

March 2021-22 Quality Visits

Quality Visits have now begun and are well underway.

Quality Assurance is essential in the continuous improvement of the Service and we ask that Quality Managers, and those responsible for Quality Assurance in your organisation, attend all planned quality visits. We would like to thank you for your correspondence with the quality assurance.

New Feature! Sharing Best Practice Noticeboard

We would like to introduce a new feature to Spotlight and invite you to share your experience and highlight an element of best practice.

This month we would like to highlight some of the sharing of best practice taken from the Network Meeting held on 28th January

- Seeing learner feedback in video form is a great way to see the impact of their learning.
- Colour coding of RARPAP elements on ILPs makes it easier for moderators to find the information.

Please send your contribution for next month to learnsuffolk@suffolk.gov.uk by 20th of the month.

Learner Voice

Realise Futures has shared some case studies this month:

Confidence and Wellbeing Course

Learner: Susanne

Susanne had recently come out of an emotionally abusive relationship and has been feeling very low in confidence and self-esteem. Attending the course each week has given her structure in the week and a focus. She has found the topics covered extremely helpful; she took notes in her 'study book' each week so she can refer to them. She has discussed the course with her Mum (who she is now living with again) and this has helped her extend her learning between sessions.

Susanne has been able to do new things, such as social activities, because of the confidence gained from attending the course. She has enrolled on the Stress Management workshop on 10 Feb 2022 and is on the waiting list for a beginners IT course.

Study for Maths Course

Learner: S

S has shared that her primary reason for doing a maths course is to prove her old schoolteachers wrong. She had a very difficult time at school and suffered some humiliating 'punishments' for not being maths confident. S's ILP details the desire to become more confident as a result of putting these 'demons' to one side.

The tutor has noted that S's confidence has grown and continues to grow in maths. In the last session S was able to complete column subtraction independently; this is one of S's targets. The tutor then gave S the whiteboard pen and got her to do a few on the whiteboard. She then suggested to S that she could choose one of the calculations and talk it through to the class. S was uncertain at first but went ahead and did it. The class clapped; the tutor said how proud she was of S and that she could dance for her and S joined in, acknowledging that she was proud of herself. Both the tutor and ST are certain that S would not have been able to do this or say these things about herself even 6 months ago.

Suffolk County Council Latest Updates

Prevent Week of Action



Safeguarding is at the heart of Prevent. Test your knowledge and be in with a chance to win a voucher!

Prevent Week of Action - Take our quiz:

bit.ly/3oEltRh

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Your weekly update of the latest Apprenticeships Suffolk vacancies as well as an array of opportunities around the county.

Sign up at apprenticeships@suffolk.gov.uk to receive our weekly update of the latest Apprenticeships Suffolk vacancies as well as an array of opportunities around the county!

Latest SCC Guidance on Coronavirus (Covid-19): Visit our website on how to check central government and NHS advice, plus answers to common questions about COVID-19.

[Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) | Suffolk County Council](#)

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