

Family and Community Learning

South West Wilts Area Board Wednesday 16 March 2022



Growing a lifelong love of learning with families in Wiltshire
Discover opportunities – Develop skills – Achieve ambitions

Wiltshire Council

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Who are we and what do we do?

The team of twelve is based within the Council: Employment and Skills, part of the Education and Skills team. We receive funding from the Education and Skills Funding Agency and we are subject to OFSTED inspections.

Family and Community Learning offers learning opportunities designed to help people of different ages and backgrounds to:

- + Gain a new skill
- + Reconnect with learning
- + Prepare to progress to formal courses
- + Learn how to support their children better
- + Gain skills to access volunteering and employment

Vision and strategy

We offer opportunities to widen community participation by supporting progression relevant to personal circumstances, including:

- improving digital skills, improving confidence and a willingness to engage in learning
- building on skills: preparing people for training, employment or self-employment
- financial literacy and/or communication skills
- offering support to parents/carers so they are better equipped to support and encourage their children's learning
- improved/maintained health and/or social well-being.



How we do what we do?

- We work with partners to identify potential learners skills and knowledge requirements
- Create courses to meet the needs of learners (and their families)
- Ensure a learner centred learning experience
- Offer a safe and robust Learning Journey with progression routes
- Align course content to address economic skills gaps
- We use a virtual learning environment to deliver courses online

Plus...

We can provide opportunities for face to face learning in collaboration with partners.

What courses do we offer?

Family and Community Learning Courses



Who can access?

Courses are funded by the Education and Skills Funding Agency

Criteria to access provision is that potential learners:

- Must be +19 by 31.8 2021 and resident of UK/EU for 3+ years
- Have less than 5 GCSEs grades A-C
- Have a child with SEN/EHCP
- Are in receipt of benefits/unemployed
- And/or belong to a military family
- Are an asylum seeker

We are always happy to share a conversation with people who might be struggling with specific issues i.e.: poor mental health issues/family breakdown that provides a rationale for them to join

Questions?

Contact details and how to refer:

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