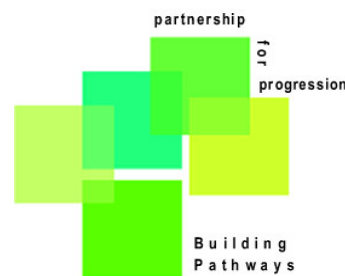


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Building Pathways - The Next Steps

The Building Pathways Project has almost completed its third and final year of activities. The 'special measures' funding, jointly provided by the Higher Education Funding Council and the Learning and Skills Council for Widening Participation projects, will finish on 31st December 2002. BP with other partners in the Yorkshire Progression Partnership have successfully bid for funding to support a transition period from December to April 2003 for the development of the current work to fit with the emerging plans for P4P in the region and further embedding and dissemination of good practice. In addition, Building Pathways is an active partner in the business planning process being undertaken by South Yorkshire partners around the P4P initiative.

Further details: John Harvey, Project Co-ordinator Tel: 0114 2254425

Access Project Continues

Last year Building Pathways was involved in a project with the South Yorkshire Open College Network with a focus on Access to HE learners in the region. The aim of the Project was to develop the collection and dissemination of data on the number of Access learners in the region and their achievements and progression into Higher Education.

The Project was successfully completed and the work is adding to the national picture being collated about Access to HE. Building Pathways has agreed to share the funding for the project work to continue for a further period. The aim of the new work is to further develop links with HE providers in developing their widening participation strategies and to support new ideas and initiatives regarding progression for under 21 year olds enrolling on Access programmes and learners with non-Access level 2/3 credit. The project is building on BP work achieved in developing a new Health and Nursing framework and supporting the regional Access Advisory Group in its role in adopting and embedding Access developments.

Further details: Dorothy Donnison, Tel: 0114 225 2510

A CONFERENCE FOR TEACHING ASSISTANTS
Building Pathways is part of a consortium of colleges, LEAs and Sheffield Hallam University which is mapping and developing new routes for classroom assistants. The South Yorkshire Teaching Assistant Consortium is holding a one day conference for classroom assistants:

**Venue: Sheffield Wednesday Football Club
Hillsborough
Sheffield**

Date: Tuesday 26th November 2002

Time: 9.30am — 3.30pm

Fee: £50.00

Most partner colleges are involved in the consortium and may wish to pass on details of the event to classroom assistants they are working with. Further details of the event can be obtained from **Maxine Greaves, School of Education, Sheffield Hallam University (tel: 0114 2255774) or email m.j.greaves@shu.ac.uk**

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Yorkshire & Humberside Progression Partnership

A Fresh Look

at

Access to HE and Widening Participation

A one-day event planned for
Tuesday 18th March 2003
at Cedar Court Hotel, Wakefield

The event will be an opportunity to have a detailed look at the innovative approaches to Access in the three WP projects in the YHPP

Key note speakers

Margaret Coleman,
West Yorkshire Learning and Skills Council
Clive MacDonald,
Sheffield Hallam University

Details from Julie Hamilton,
Building Pathways Project: 0114 2252530

