

West Yorkshire Lifelong Learning Network

Additional Student Numbers

1. 2008/9 Allocations

1.1. The allocation of numbers for 2008/9, have now been agreed with the accountable body. The details are given in the table below:

Institution	FTE ASN Target
Bradford College	33.5
Calderdale College	17.5
Leeds College of Art and Design	53
Leeds College of Building	28.875
Leeds College of Music	78
Leeds College of Technology	35
Park Lane College	187
University of Bradford	30
University of Huddersfield	37.5
Total FTE ASN	500.375

1.2. These numbers have changed greatly over the last few weeks, as institutions tried to balance their own contracts. Wakefield College did not take up their allocation as more courses were affected by the equivalent or lower qualifications policy. However, this was balanced by the uptake of numbers for modular delivery by Park Lane College.. Of the 500 FTEs allocated, 127.5 were taken up by FE colleges to deliver modules to employers. This facility will not be available after the project unless an alternative arrangement is made with one of the four university partners of the Network.

2. 2009/10, 2010/11 Allocations

2.1. As members were informed at the last Board meeting, the HEFCE's SDF Panel awarded WYLLN a further 700 FTEs for the next two academic years. However, because of the size of the allocation, final approval had to be given by the HEFCE Board that meets in December. With the withdrawal of 30,000 of the 40,000 ASNs available, the WYLLN's allocation is now under jeopardy. At the time of writing this

report, we are still waiting for feedback from HEFCE on what will be out allocation, if any.

- 2.2. Not receiving this allocation will impact on the future activity of the Network. Many partners have already approached WYLLN for ASNs to support their own strategic developments that fit the aims of the Network. For those partners receiving ASNs from the Network in 2008/9 for the first time, it will mean that a new cohort will not be able to be recruited in 2008/9. As can be seen in report on sectors, there are many new curriculum developments underway, which will now have to be funded within their own institution's allocation. This may be difficult as many HE providers are already at the top of their tolerances.

3. Train to Gain Enhancement

- 3.1. Across Yorkshire and the Humber, there is £40 million available for the delivery of training that is not covered by Train to Gain. This has been further enhanced by Yorkshire Forward making £10 million available for the delivery of high level skills.
- 3.2. All four LLNs within Yorkshire and the Humber are currently exploring how we can access these funds through the commissioning process. For the WYLLN, this may go some way, in the short term, to offset the loss of ASNs.

4. Recommendations

- 4.1. The Board is asked to note the content of this report.