

Review of Active Citizenship Training in Ordsall & Langworthy

Background

As a result of funding secured earlier this year, SALT was able to offer a programme of free training and learning to Ordsall & Langworthy residents. The qualification on offer was the City & Guilds – Individual Profile in Active Citizenship. (IPAC)

The Trust worked closely with a local, Salford-based Social Enterprise, Proud City to successfully recruit and support 5 local residents through the training. Proud City is a social enterprise based in Salford which focuses on delivering a range of qualifications that support health, wellbeing and lifestyle.

The Training

The training was divided into 5 themes, with each theme containing a number of units relating to it which were covered during 6, 2 hour training sessions at the Langworthy Cornerstone. The themes were:-

Theme 1- Your Community

Theme 2- Taking up a challenge*

Theme 3- Celebrating difference

Theme 4- Participating in a responsible society

Theme 5- Heart and mind decisions

* This theme linked into learners supporting a number of community events across Ordsall and Langworthy.

Active Citizens in Action

Some of the learners involved in the training provided volunteer support at the following community events:-

Chimney Pot Park Community Celebration Event – August 2008

As part of the Friday Night Project (a summer-long programme of activities for children & young people), Chimney Pot Park hosted a community celebration event on 29th August. A variety of activities took place including arts workshops and sports and dance sessions.

Some of the volunteer support the learners got involved in on the day included photography, stewarding and evaluation.

Pictured below is one of the learners gathering some feedback from a local resident as part of the event evaluation:-



Ordsall Park Festival – September 2008

There was also another major local community event that some of the learners supported. The annual Ordsall Park Festival offered a range of activities for residents of both Ordsall and Langworthy to take part in.

Pictured below is one of the learners explaining to a visitor the idea behind the local history “time-lining” activity – as part of the Salford Sioux local history project:-



Presentation evening

The learners were rewarded for all their hard work whilst gaining the qualification by being invited along to SALT's AGM (November 2008) where Mike Felse (CEO of Proud City & course tutor) presented them with their course certificates.

