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Learning and Skills Council 16-19 Competition: Thurrock

Summary of Applications Received

One application was received by the closing date on Friday 15th June.

The application is summarised on the following pages.

A full copy of the application is available on request from
essexcompetition@lsc.gov.uk, or by calling Rachel Dawson on 01245 550146.

If you have any comments about this application for consideration by the Stakeholder Selection Panel please submit them in writing, by 5.00pm on Friday 3rd August to:

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The Stakeholder Selection Panel meets on 21st August.

Janice Logie
Area Director

25th June 2007

1. Application submitted on behalf of: The Thurrock Consortium

2. Legal Entity: South East Essex College of Arts and Technology

3. Executive Summary

As part of the competition process applicants were asked by LSC Essex to include an Executive Summary that could be used as the basis for the publication of competition entries.

The following summary is an extract from the full application and was written by the applicant.

Section 3: Application Summary

We aim to transform FE in Thurrock with an exciting new learning and skills partnership and the development of a new campus as part of the University College Campus envisaged for the area. This proposal brings together a consortium of high quality FE colleges and training providers supported by schools, universities, employers and a wide range of other organisations and agencies. The proposal has wide support across the Thurrock area.

We plan to develop 3 centres of excellence for Creative and Cultural Skills, Retail and Customer Service and Construction and the Built Environment. We will offer seamless progression routes in an innovative way, blurring the boundaries of what can be, to learners, parents and employers, unhelpful distinctions between FE and work based learning and between full and part time learning. This will allow us to offer progression routes from pre-entry to Higher Education with enhanced flexibility and accessibility. The aim will be to significantly raise participation levels and increase success and progression rates to meet national targets and allow learners the opportunity to achieve their full potential.

Learners will follow individualised, personal learning programmes. All these programmes will be designed and delivered through close working with the Thurrock 14-19 Planning group and local schools, the Learning Partnership and with the relevant Sector Skills Councils, key employers, Thurrock Council and Thurrock Development Corporation. The aim is to ensure the curriculum offer is relevant, meets employers', as well as learners' needs and allows progression to employment and HE and which is vocationally relevant, current and of the highest quality. The offer will be complementary to the existing provision that is offered by other providers in the area. In particular, we are working in partnership with Thurrock and Basildon College linking to

their Centres of Vocational Excellence in Logistics and Transport and Electrical and Electronic Technologies.

The Thurrock Consortium brings together high quality specialist further education providers who are committed to working together to strategically plan and deliver education and skills to meet the needs of individuals and business in the Thurrock and wider Thames Gateway area.

The key delivery partners are South East Essex College (Centre of Vocational Excellence), Palmers College (an outstanding Sixth Form College); Prospects College (CoVE); Barking College (CoVE), Lifeskills Solutions and ITEC Learning Technologies (specialist training providers). ITEC is also a CoVE. In addition we have the support of The NOVA Partnership – it is backed by all 14 partners in the work based learning consortium operating across TGSE. The Consortium also includes the support of the University of East London and the University of Essex. The partners bring a wealth of links and support across Thurrock.

4. Delivery Partners

Details of all organisations that it is proposed will deliver learning.

Delivery Organisation	Proposed Area(s) of learning to be delivered	Proposed level(s)
South East Essex College	Creative and Cultural Skills Retail and Customer Service	Pre entry to level 4/5
Palmers College	Creative and Cultural Skills	Level 3
Prospects College	Construction and the Built Environment	Levels 1-3
Barking College	Construction and the Built Environment	Levels 1-3
Lifeskills Solutions	Retail and Customer Service	Levels 1-3
ITEC Learning Technologies	Customer Service	Levels 1-3
National Construction College	Construction and the Built Environment	Levels 1-3

5. Partner Details

Members of the partnership on whose behalf the application has been submitted; and who have been actively involved in the development of the application.

Name of Organisation	Type of Organisation / role in the partnership	Name of Organisation	Type of Organisation / role in the partnership
ACER (Association of Colleges in the Eastern Region)	Other / Support Partner	Brown & Carrol Joinery Solutions	Private Company / Employer
ADC Academy Decorating Contractors (Essex) Ltd	Private Company / Employer	Business Link	Other / Business Support Organisation
Amba Hydraulics Ltd	Private Company / Employer	Carter & Ward of Wickford Ltd – Builders & Contractors	Private Company / Employer
Armstrong Learning Ltd	Training Provider / Support Partner	Chafford Hundred Campus	Business and Enterprise College/School / Collaborative Partnersfor 14-16 and 14-19 including New Diplomas
Arts Council England	Other / Liaison with Arts organisations and links to National Skills Academy for Creative and Cultural Skills	Christy Building Services	Private Company / Employer
Barking College	FE College / Delivery Partner	Computer Gym	Training Provider / Support Partner
Belfry	Private Company / Employer	Construction Skills	Sector Skills Council / Support Partner

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Creative & Cultural Skills	Sector Skills Council / Support Partner		Focal Point Gallery	Arts organisation / Support Partner
Creative Partnerships Thames Gateway	Other / Support Partner		Future Office Solutions Ltd	Private Company / Employer
Crown College	Training Provider / Support Partner		Gable Hall School	Foundation School & Specialist Arts & Vocational College / Collaborative Partner for 14-16 and 14-19 including new Diplomas
Edifice Constructions Ltd	Private Company / Employer		HBW Partnership	Private Company / Employer (Construction Sector)
Essex Group	Private Company / Employer		Hubbard Building Services Ltd	Private Company / Employer
Every Step (learndirect)	Training Provider / Support Partner		ITEC Learning Technologies	Training Provider / Delivery Partner
Family Mosaic	Housing Association / Employer		JISC RSC Eastern	Regional IT Support Network / Support Partner
Federation of Small Businesses	Private Employer / Company Support		J.P. Gatrell Ltd Carpentry Contractors	Private Company / Employer

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KSS Design Group	Private Company / Employer		Nikon UK Limited	Private Company / Employer
Leigh Film Society	Arts organisation / Support Partner		Palmers College	FE College / Delivery Partner
Lifeskills Solutions	Training Provider / Delivery Partner		Paul & Olley Painting Contractors Ltd	Private Company / Employer
Luton Carnival Arts Development Trust	Arts organisation/ employer / Support Partner		Prospects College	Training Provider / Delivery Partner
McLaren Construction Ltd	Private Company / Employer		RHEMA Management and Training Consultants Ltd	Consultants / Support Partner
Mercury Theatre Colchester	Arts organisation/ employer / Support Partner		R.J. Hill Ltd	Private Company / Employer
Metal Culture Limited	Arts organisation/ employer / Support Partner		Renaissance Southend	Other / Support Partner
MOVE Lifelong Learning Network for the East of England	Other / Support Partner to assist with FE/HE progression		Royal Bank of Scotland	Private Company / Employer / Support Partner

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Royal Opera House	Arts organisation/ employer / Support Partner	Tessara Credit Services Ltd	Private Company / Employer
R.V. Boughtwood Brickwork & Building Contractors	Private Company / Employer	Thames Gateway South Essex	Other / Support Partner
Skillsmart Retail	Sector Skills Council / Support Partner	Thameside Theatre	Theatre / Employer/Support Partner
SX Decorators Limited	Private Company / Employer	The Aveley School	School / Collaborative Partner for 14-16 and 14-19, including New Diplomas
South East Essex College	FE College / Consortium Lead and Delivery Partner	The College of West Anglia	FE College / Support Partner
Southend Theatres	Arts Organisation / Employer / Support Partner	The Creative Way Lifelong Learning Network	Other / Support Partner to assist with FE/HE progression
St Clare's School	School / Collaborative Partner for 14-16 and 14-19, including New Diplomas	The Grays School	Media Arts College / Collaborative Partner for 14-16 and 14-19, including New Diplomas
Storm Design UK Limited	Private Company / Employer	The hat Factory	Arts organisation/ employer / Support Partner

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The New Wolsey Theatre, Ipswich	Arts organisation/ employer / Support Partner		University of Essex	University / HE Progression routes
The NOVA Partnership	Work Based Learning Consortium with 14 partners across TGSE / Support and Delivery Partners		University of Hertfordshire/FDMX	University/Arts organisation / Support Partner
The SCOLLAR Trust	Educational Trust / Support Partner		Watford Palace Theatre	Arts organisation/ employer / Support partner
Thurrock & Basildon College	FE College / Support Partner		William Edwards School & Sports College	School / Collaborative Partner for 14-16 and 14-19, including New Diplomas
Thurrock Adult Community College	Adult Community College / Support Partner			
Timmins	Private Company / Employer			
Tudor Joinery	Private Company / Employer			
University of East London	University / HE Progression routes			