

Draft Regional Quality Improvement Framework 2007/2010

The purpose of the framework, which covers all provision funded by the Learning and Skills Council, is to set out key areas for improvement that will maximise learner success. It does not provide an action plan of detailed activity, but instead provides an overview of our headline activities for the period of this framework and links in to other related documents.

Our vision is that by 2010 the South West will be the best performing region in terms of equipping young people and adults with the knowledge and skills they need.

It is important that this framework is owned by the members of the Regional Quality Improvement Partnership (RQIP) and the first draft was considered at the RQIP meeting held on 14 December 2006. This generated support for the general principles contained within this draft and agreement to re-structure the document before publication. Key principles include:

- the document should be high level and aspirational
- it is cross referenced to other partner plans
- there should be a primary objective around teaching and learning, with a number of supporting objectives, namely;
 - to improve pockets of poor, satisfactory and not improving provision
 - to improve the effectiveness of provider self assessment and quality assurance
 - to improve leadership and management
 - to support the development of a fully qualified workforce
 - share effective practice through several approaches, including peer referencing
 - for the FE system to prepare to embed Framework for Excellence in their quality assurance procedures, starting with FE Colleges and WBL providers from August 2008.

It is anticipated that the final version of the framework can be agreed and finalised by 31 January 2007.