

Annex 1-York Learning Self Assessment Report 2014 - 2015

Area of Learning : Supported Learning

Outcomes for Learners

Grade:2

Strengths:

- Excellent courses lead to improved mental health management, reduced isolation and where appropriate moving people closer to the jobs market.
- Learners progress from starting point is significant and consistent
- Life-changing learning which continues beyond the classroom, both personally and through follow-on support groups created.
- Marked improvement in personal, social and employability skills

Areas for Improvement:

- Reduction in funded courses and overall York Learning mean that the Supported Learning area is reducing in size so course provision is limited and other sources of funding need to be explored.

Quality of Teaching, Learning and Assessment

Grade: 2

Strengths:

- Support and care for learners and their individual needs is exceptional enabling learners to flourish in a non-judgemental, tolerant environment.
- Quality of teaching is outstanding ensuring that learners are motivated to attend despite significant mental health barriers

Areas for Improvement:

- More consistent use of initial and end of course assessments to be introduced for the next academic year to show progress in a more quantifiable way.

Effectiveness of Leadership & Management

Grade: 2

Strengths:

- Strong partnerships and well established systems lead to well attended classes and referral routes that ensure that learners are placed in appropriate provision and that there are good support mechanisms with partners.

Areas for Improvement:

- Urgent need to source funding so that the provision can continue

Overall Effectiveness

Grade: 2

Strengths:

- Responsive provision that meets the demands of the local community and complements other mental health provision
- Courses make a proven, demonstrable and meaningful contribution to the recovery of individuals with mental health conditions.

Areas for Improvement:

- Look beyond the funding currently available to be able to continue to offer courses through the Supported Learning area.