



10th Annual Conference - Sustaining the Profession: Past, Present and Future Friday 24th June 2011 at the University of Huddersfield

This was a well-attended conference with around 75 people. The joint Consortium/HUDCETT annual conference was held at the University of Huddersfield on 24th June.



The main speaker was Dr. Jean Kelly, Director of CPD at IfL. Jean gave an overview of how teacher training and CPD had developed over the last 10 years; the present situation was presented to us as a very challenging one that will probably lead to teacher shortages in the sector in the next few years, but with resurgence after that. Jean emphasised the need for us to maintain CPD despite the difficulties ahead.



A video interview of David Blunkett, MP was presented at the conference. He said "I have had a lifelong love and understanding of FE..." and "...the highlights [of teaching] were the students...". He emphasised that "the partnership is vital..." and went on to say that "... further education and teaching in FE and the development of the links with higher education really do matter."

As David Blunkett, MP, could not attend the conference, Denise Robinson and Shailesh Appukkuttan travelled to the House of Commons to interview him on his association with the FE sector. You can see the interview at <http://consortium.hud.ac.uk> along with all the presentations files from the 9 workshops.



David Powell from University of Huddersfield presenting one of the workshops at the 10th Annual Conference.



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HUDCETT update

Tuition fee grants 2011-12

Jean Kelly, Director of CPD, IfL, announced at the Consortium/HUDCETT conference on 24th June that both 1st and 2nd year trainee teachers will be able to receive £400 towards tuition fees for 2011-12. The fund is only accessible by employers and for those trainees who are employed (i.e. this does not apply to pre-service trainees) in organisations delivering SFA funded courses.

Advice and guidance on support for ITT

Two guidance documents you will find useful on support for ITT are 'Funding of ITT Courses' and 'Financial Incentives' can be found on the LSIS web site. You can also contact their Information and Advice Service on 0300 303 1877 and lluk.advice@lsis.org.uk

QTLS and QTS

Regulations are to be changed over the Summer that will recognise QTLS as equivalent to QTS. We will send out an alert as soon as we have news.

FUTURE EVENTS

October 2011

Professional Development day

with **Ros Foggin**, IfL Regional Adviser and other speakers.

November 2011

'Diversity is what we have in common'

with speakers **Trevor Gordon**, staff trainer and Education Management Consultant; and **Professor Penny Burke**, Director of the London Paulo Freire Institute at Roehampton University.

Don't forget that free access is also available for subject specialist support at

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