Subject: Framework for Excellence – Pilot 2008/09

Dear Colleague,

This is the second email to all pilot liaison officers of providers participating in the second phase of piloting of the Framework for Excellence. If you would like a copy of the initial email please contact http://ffe.lsc.gov.uk/pilot/.

This week's Framework for Excellence Pilot Update covers:

1) Development and Focus Groups
2) Learner Views survey information - reminder
3) Pilot Guidance.

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Development and Focus Groups

An updated table showing the Development and Focus Groups, together with the dates and locations of meetings, is available on the Framework for Excellence website at http://ffe.lsc.gov.uk/pilot/. Please take a minute to look at the table.

Note that meeting times will generally be from 10.30 to 14.30 to allow time for travel to and from the meetings.

We are particularly keen for as many pilot providers as possible to attend these groups. An overview of the Framework and the Pilot will be presented to each group, as well as dealing with its specific topic area.

If you are interested in attending, please contact ffepilot@lsc.gov.uk

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Learner Views Survey information

Reminder for those providers not in Version 1
If you have learners whom you feel do not have the skills to complete a web-based survey, for example learners who would be distressed by sitting at a computer, or you have other reasons as to why it would be impossible for them to undertake a web-based survey, please let us know this by downloading the form available on our Framework website at http://ffe.lsc.gov.uk/key-performance-areas/responsiveness-learners/learner-views/ and completing it and then emailing it to Ffelearnerviews@lsc.gov.uk by 31 October 2008. It will be assumed that any providers not sending this form by 31 October will be automatically undertaking the web-based survey, using the link we supply to you. Each response will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

If you have any queries about the survey please contact ffepilot@lsc.gov.uk

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Pilot Guidance

A comprehensive document will be published on or shortly after 21 October 2008, which will furnish pilot providers with detailed guidance to support their participation in the pilot. As well as describing the Framework, it will include actions (for example, collection of data) required from pilot providers. Any specific actions will be highlighted at the appropriate time. This document will be reviewed and updated as the pilot progresses.

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I look forward to meeting you at one of our groups, events or workshops, but if you have any queries or feedback please contact ffepilot@lsc.gov.uk