
Lyndsay's Story

Lyndsay agreed to become a Learning Champion to help spread the word about local learning opportunities.

She has been involved in the GL11 Community Project for about two years, teaching computer skills and knows the difference local learning makes.

"I have worked with lots of people who I know would not have been able to travel out of the area to learn computer skills, so it's vital we tell others what is here for them."

Lyndsay, who lives in Highfields, Dursley, has three children, aged 17, three and two, so she understands all the issues mothers face when they want to return to work and have to juggle with a family.

"When my youngest starts full time school, I'd like to start working full time – but I want to work locally. But there are not many local opportunities, so it's important we build up local people's skills to attract new employers to the area.

"It's really hard to travel to other towns unless you have a car, so a lot of people feel stuck here, with not much choice of where to work. There are a lot of people who worked at Listers all their lives, and are looking around wondering what they can do next. They need to get new skills, and we need to offer those opportunities locally."

Lyndsay is one of a band of TLC Learning Champions who encourage friends and neighbours to get more involved in learning and training, helping to make the area a better place to live and work.

