

Pace North West 30th Jan 2014

This was a well-attended meeting at Trafford College that led to much useful conversation following on from the two key speakers at the event. After a welcome and an introduction from Sue Kenyon, Director of PACE, and Dan Turner, North West Chair, Andrea Pilmmer from Trafford College gave an interesting presentation on the project she and her learners from Hair & Beauty have been involved in.

The charity "Kissing it Better" aims to harness the energy of college students, inviting them to use their specialist skills to make a difference to the care of patients and their carers within hospitals and care homes. Andrea presented a case study of how Trafford College Hair & Beauty learners have been working within the local hospital to enrich the lives of elderly patients by styling their hair, giving hand massages and manicures. Andrea spoke not only of the benefit to the patients but to her learners, and how it has enriched their curriculum. This also fulfils some of the work related learning for the study programmes so it really is a win win project.

Ainsley Cheetham then delivered an excellent presentation updating the delegates with the latest funding news in his own inimitable fashion. The information was well received and Ainsley offered to help with curriculum modelling in order to try maximise funding opportunities. Finally Lunch was taken in Aspire Trafford's College's training restaurant, cooked and served by the Hospitality & Catering students.

The next meeting will be on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2014 (TBC). There will be an opportunity to receive free training and a funding update for your study programmes

Sue Kenyon PACE Director

Dan Turner, NW Regional Chair

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