

Community Learning Courses from March 2024

Community Learning offers short courses for adults living in North Somerset (minimum age 19)

Our courses will help to build skills and confidence for work, volunteering and wellbeing. Priority places are given to those who are in receipt of certain benefits or with few or no qualifications.

All our courses are currently free for priority learners and held both face to face and remotely.

Due to our funding each person can attend only one course at a time –
and are welcomed and encouraged to join follow-on courses.

If you are interested in any course that has already started, please contact the relevant person. They may be planning to run the course again and will be happy to add you to a waiting list if they think the course is suitable for you.

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One to One

If you want to get into further education, training or employment and wish you had someone to listen, signpost and support you – we can help.

We've got some extra funding to give One-to-One support for anyone who needs help with removing barriers to taking part in education or employment. You can contact Julie yourself or can be referred by a support agency. This is friendly and informal support to talk about your future, what you want to do and how you can achieve it.

[See our One to One flyer](#)

This project is funded for a year by UKSPF

For referrals or further information contact:

Julie Beynon julie.beynon@n-somerset.gov.uk phone/text 07385 402960

Goblin Combe Woodland Adventures

Get your mojo back at Goblin Combe Adventures. Join a small group to take part in lots of outdoor activities including campfires, woodland walks, archery and orienteering. Relax your mind, exercise your body, and allow yourself time to step back from the stresses of everyday life.

[See our Goblin Combe Woodland Adventures course flyer](#)

From Monday 15 April 10am -2pm for 5 sessions

At Goblin Combe Woodland, Cleeve BS49 4PQ

For more info or to book a place contact:

JP Evans julie.evans@n-somerset.gov.uk phone/text 07795 390 667

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at North Somerset Training Community Hub, 31 Alexandra Parade, Weston-super-Mare
BS23 1QZ

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Leanne Carter leanne.carter@n-somerset.gov.uk phone/text 07385 378495

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Prepare to Work in Adult Social Care

Gain a Level 1 Award in Preparing to Work in Adult Social Care. Learn about ways of working in this meaningful role that will help you prepare for a successful interview. Carers and personal assistants make a difference every day supporting vulnerable or disabled adults. There are a wide variety of opportunities, from helping someone in a care home with daily activities to assisting someone with a disability to live independently. In this course you will explore the range of service provision and roles within adult social care. Understand principles such as Duty of Care, Person Centred Care and confidentiality. Build-up confidence in your skills, qualities and abilities to prepare for a career in Care.

[See our Prepare to Work in Adult Social Care course flyer](#)

Tuesdays and Fridays 9.30am - 2.30pm from 16 April for 6 sessions

at The Campus, Highlands Lane, Weston-super-Mare BS24 7DX

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ESOL – English for Speakers of Other Languages

Learning English as a Second Language for Pre-Entry (no English) to Entry 1 (some conversational English) in Weston-super-Mare and Clevedon. The courses are designed for those with no confidence and those taking their first steps into classroom learning. Participants will learn about other existing provision and have help to progress to higher levels with Weston College.

[See our ESOL courses flyer](#)

Mondays 10 Sessions from 15 April 2024

Entry 1 10 – 11.30am

Pre-Entry 1- 2.30pm

Tuesdays 10 Sessions from 16 April 2024

Entry 1 7-8.30pm

at North Somerset Training Centre, 31 Alexandra Parade, Weston-super-Mare BS23 1QZ

Wednesdays 10 Sessions from 17 April 2024

Pre-Entry (Group 1) 12.30 - 2pm (Main Hall)

Pre-Entry (Group 2) 12.30 - 2pm (Alden Room)

Below Pre -Entry 2.45-4.15pm (Main Hall)

at St Paul's Church Hall, Walliscote Road, Weston-super-Mare BS23 1EF

Thursdays from 18 April 2024

ESOL IT – 6 sessions from 10am- 12pm

ESOL Job Club – Contact Iona for further info (contact details below)

at North Somerset Training Centre, 31 Alexandra Parade, Weston-super-Mare BS23 1QZ

Fridays 10 Sessions from 19 April 2024 Weston-super-Mare

Entry 1 - 9.45 – 11.45 am

at North Somerset Training Centre, 31 Alexandra Parade, Weston-super-Mare BS23 1QZ

Fridays 10 Sessions from 19 April 2024 Clevedon

Pre-Entry Plus 12.30 - 2pm

Entry 1 & 2 Plus 12.30 - 2pm

at Clevedon Children's Centre, The Barn, Great Western Road, Clevedon BS21 6HB

Woodwork for Women

An introduction to woodwork for complete beginners in a relaxed non-competitive environment. Learn hands-on skills and carpentry techniques. Build confidence to safely use hand tools. Information about options for gaining more skills and/or experience.

[See our Woodwork for Women course flyer](#)

Fridays 9.30am -2.30pm from 26 April for 5 weeks (tbc)

at The South West Skills Campus, Locking Rd, Weston-super-Mare BS22 8NL

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Prepare to Pass the Driving Theory Test

Improve your understanding of the rules of driving based on the Highway Code. Gain confidence answering multiple choice questions and learn how to approach the Theory and Hazard Perception Tests.

Tuesday mornings 9.30am -12 pm from 30 April for 6 sessions

[See our Driving Theory morning flyer](#)

or

Tuesday evenings 6-8.30pm from 30 April 2024 for 6 sessions

[See our Driving Theory evening flyer](#)

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Introduction to British Sign Language

Learn basic BSL to communicate better with those who are deaf or hard of hearing.

Learn finger spelling alphabet, how to introduce yourself
and have an initial conversation with someone who uses BSL.

[See our Intro to BSL course flyer](#)

Fridays 10am -12.30pm from 3 May for 8 sessions

at The Campus, Highlands Lane, Weston-super-Mare BS24 7DX

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Introduction to Early Years and Working in the Childcare Sector

Explore the range of service provision and roles within early years and childcare. Includes understanding principles and values, tips on communication and language development through play. How to progress onto work in childcare. Gain a Level 1 Award in Childcare.

[See our Early Years and Childcare course flyer](#)

Tuesday and Friday mornings 10am -1pm from 7 May for 6 sessions

at The Campus, Weston-super-Mare BS24 7DX

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Creative Writing – How to Write Short Stories

Have you always wanted to write, but don't know where to start?

This course is suitable for beginners, and more experienced writers. Explore the main elements of short fiction: creating characters, plotting, dialogue, setting, and descriptive writing. Tasks are emailed on Monday mornings giving you until Friday evening to return it to your tutor. You'll also have plenty of opportunities to ask for advice. The course is delivered via email and you will need the use of a PC, laptop or tablet to attend

From Monday 3 June 2023 for 6 weeks

Remote, via email

For more info and to book a place contact:

Leanne Carter Leanne.Carter@n-somerset.gov.uk phone/text 07385 378 495

Introduction to Aromatherapy at Home

Use aromatherapy for health, wellbeing and stress relief. Learn about essential oils, their benefits, blending, recipes and basic massage techniques.

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