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Community  
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Community Learning Champions (CLCs) are people who become active in their community by promoting the value of learning to others – friends, relatives, neighbours, workmates or people they meet at the school gates, at the local shops, or in groups or clubs.

The first national register of Community Learning Champions is now open for CLCs throughout England. It offers them access to a whole range of benefits and the chance to share information and thoughts with others about the role they play.

The aim of the registration process is to show everyone just how many people are performing this vital role in their

communities. This will raise the profile of CLCs and help to embed them in any future planning for informal adult learning.

## What are the advantages for Community Learning Champions?

Registration offers CLCs access to a whole range of benefits including:



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- membership of a national movement of CLCs;
- a well-designed and easily identifiable badge that signifies the importance of the role;
- a welcome pack of information and goods to promote and support their work, including their badge, a branded bag and folder and a pen;
- access to an online community of CLCs where they can share experiences and ideas;
- opportunities to share experiences with other CLCs; and
- membership of regional and national networks and invitations to events.

## **What are the advantages for the organisations supporting CLCs?**

Registering a CLC scheme offers many benefits to organisations, including:

- national recognition of your work in supporting the volunteers who perform this key role; and
- membership in regional and national CLC networks where you can share experiences, and gain ideas and support.

Your organisation will also receive a welcome pack to support your work, invitations to regional and national events and the opportunity to nominate people for an Adult Learners' Week award.

## **Who can register?**

Organisations can register their scheme if they manage and support a team of CLCs. The scheme may have been set up specifically for CLCs, or it may have another focus, such as health or housing, but engages with and supports volunteers as CLCs at the same time.

## Are there any terms and conditions?

Yes. In registering your CLCs, you will be agreeing that they are eligible to be registered and are fit to perform the role.

This approach is necessary because registered CLCs will occupy a position of trust in their community, and some may work in contexts where others need to be safeguarded. So in registering your CLCs, you are confirming that they are properly equipped and supported to carry out their

role. The scheme is responsible for this, and for ensuring that CLCs sign a declaration of values and principles.

## How do I register?

You can register your CLCs online – it is a simple process. Go to [www.communitylearningchampions.org.uk/registeronline/](http://www.communitylearningchampions.org.uk/registeronline/) and follow the instructions. You will be asked to give details of your scheme and register each of the champions you are supporting.

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