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## December E-Bulletin

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Dear David

## Learning Link Scotland Update

### #BestEd Policy Forum meeting with Angela Constance MSP

A delegation of Members from the Policy Forum recently met with Angela Constance, MSP. The context of the meeting included the Post 16 Review, the CLD Strategy Review and how we make connections to the findings of the Christie Commission with its focus on prevention. There was discussion around the difference that adult education makes, particularly to: health, the economy, early years, family and parenting, culture and the environment.

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### Next Steps

**Post-16 Education Reform: Putting Learners at the Centre and Consultation on regionalisation of further education.** Learning Link Scotland will be coordinating a response to both consultations. We will send draft responses out by Thursday 8th December for your comments and feedback. We would welcome feedback no later than the 20th December. We would also encourage you to respond to the consultations independently.

[Putting Learners at the Centre: Delivering Our Ambitions for Post-16 Education](#)

[Ensuring colleges deliver for local communities: Consultation on regionalisation of further education](#)

**Policy Forum:** The second meeting of the Policy Forum will be held early in the new year. Many of you expressed interest in the Forum and some emailed with their ideas and thoughts as they couldn't attend. We want future Policy Forums to be the place that provides you with the opportunity to share your views, so we gather insight from across the Membership.

**Online Debate:** We want to hear what you think about #BestEd, the Post-16 Education Reform and the CLD Review so join us on [twitter](#) and our [LinkedIn group](#). You can read Jayne's thoughts on #BestEd on the [CLD Standards Council's website](#) and join the discussion.

We've created a Learning Link Scotland #BestEd blog. We've invited input from a range of people in adult education. The blog will hold all the #BestEd guest writings and articles which you can comment on and debate. The page can be found at [learninglinkscotland.blogspot.com](http://learninglinkscotland.blogspot.com).

## Members' News Items

## **WEAScotland**

An exhibition charting the story of Bathgate's truck and tractor workers opens in the town's Bennie Museum on Thursday 24th November 2011.

More than 50 former workers at the plant have contributed their personal stories, photographs and artefacts to the Bathgate Once More exhibition. A publication, on-line exhibition and oral history archive are also being produced as part of the project and will be ready in late February 2012.

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## **Volunteer Action Dumfries and Galloway**

If you would like to learn more about how to connect with young people as volunteers, then why not join us for our Involving Young People as Volunteers workshop on 8th December 2011.

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