EXPLORE THE WORLD OF LEARNING

TRY SOMETHING NEW

Enjoy one of our engaging courses. It doesn't matter if you haven't been in education for a while. We have something for everyone.

IMPROVE YOUR SKILLS

Our essential skills team can help you to find the right course to improve and develop your basic skills.

GET CREATIVE

Learn a new creative skill in a relaxed and friendly environment.

MEET NEW PEOPLE

Get to know others from your local community and enjoy your learning journey together.

TORFAEN ADULT COMMUNITY LEARNING

AUTUMN TERM 2026

WELCOME

At Torfaen Adult Community Learning, we're a friendly and committed team of educators who believe learning should be open, welcoming, and enjoyable for everyone, whatever your background or ability.

We know that everyone learns in their own way and comes to learning for different reasons. Whether you're taking your first step, building confidence, changing direction, or simply learning for enjoyment, we are here to support you.

That's why we focus on a personal, flexible approach, shaped around your individual needs and goals. The right learning opportunity can be life changing, and we are proud to help learners discover what they are capable of.

We are delighted to share our wide range of new and inspiring opportunities for adults across our local communities. Our courses are designed to support personal wellbeing, develop skills for work, and encourage lifelong learning at every stage of life.

You can learn with us face to face in welcoming local venues such as community centres and libraries or choose online learning that fits around your life.

Take some time to explore our course guide and discover subjects including maths, English, digital skills, arts and crafts, languages, general education and more.

Our courses are also a great way to meet new people, share experiences, and build connections with others who share your interests.

We really look forward to welcoming you and being part of your learning journey.

Angela Price, Group Manager Aspirations and Customer Engagement

About Us

At Torfaen Adult Community Learning we pride ourselves on delivering high quality lessons that are fun and enjoyable for our learners.

Our dedicated tutors will share their years of expertise and experience with you and inspire you to take your skills to the next level.

We offer a variety of courses at different locations and times, meaning that you can choose a course at a time and place that is convenient for you.

Many of our learners find great fulfilment in continuing their learning. Learning can keep you focused or give you new experiences which you can share with your friends and family. It provides a gratifying sense of accomplishment too.

As a leading provider of community learning in the borough, we ensure that our courses are of the highest quality.

We follow both nationally recognised awarding body and recreational frameworks, which are delivered by experienced and dedicated tutors.

Equality and Diversity

We are committed to fairness and equality of access and opportunity for all learners.

We are against discrimination in any form and have a commitment to making our courses inclusive and available to all. We promote equality and diversity across all of the service areas.

Safeguarding

We are committed to safeguarding all our learners, staff, volunteers and centre users.

We want you to feel safe and not threatened by the environment or other people, and we have policies and procedures in place to deal with any safeguarding concerns raised.

Learners are encouraged to report any concerns they may have.

HOW TO ENROL

Paying for your course

You can pay with a credit or debit card over the phone or in person at any of our centres.

Where there is a fee and to guarantee a place on your chosen course, you will need to pay a minimum of 50% of the tuition fee (**non refundable or transferable**). The remaining balance can be paid at any time before the commencement of the course, but no later than 4 weeks after the start date. All course places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

NOTE: Courses that are 8 weeks or less must be paid in full to secure a place.

Torfaen Adult Community Learning reserves the right to cancel and change courses.

In such cases, a full or proportionate refund may be given. Classes that do not reach the required number of learners will not start.

Once enrolled on a course, learners are liable for all costs.

No refunds are given unless the course is cancelled.

Additional Fees

Centre user membership fees apply to all courses of **two** sessions or more.

Some courses require the purchase of materials by learners for their own projects.

Accessibility

Our centres are fully accessible.

To ensure that your visit goes well, please contact us in advance of your visit and we will make every effort to support you with your learning.

Welsh Language

Courses are available in Welsh and English. Please indicate your preference when you enrol.

By phone or in person

You can enrol on a course by telephoning 01633 647647 or by visiting one of our centres where our team will be happy to provide you with further information and assist you to enrol.

During term time, our opening hours are Monday to Thursday 8.30am to 9.15pm and Friday 8.30am to 4.00pm.

During school holidays, our opening times are Monday to Thursday 8.30am to 4.30pm and Friday 8.30am to 4.00pm.

Please Note

Torfaen Adult Community Learning takes all reasonable steps to provide the services and courses described in this guide. However, it does not guarantee the provision of such services.

The provision of courses is dependent on there being sufficient demand. The information provided in this brochure is, to the best of our knowledge, accurate at the time of going to print.

We accept no liability for any errors or omissions and we reserve the right to alter, amend or remove courses listed without notice.

ESSENTIAL SKILLS

Why do adult learners need essential skills

There are many reasons why adults choose to improve their essential skills: reading, writing, speaking and listening, digital skills or math skills.

It doesn't matter if you have been away from learning for years, we can help you to improve your skills and confidence. Our courses are open to adults of all ages and levels.

Whether your goal is to develop your own existing skills, gain qualifications, improve job opportunities or support your family or friends with everyday life skills, we have opportunities for you.

You can join our courses at any time during the year. We have venues throughout the borough.

Sessions are available morning, afternoon and evening.

What are the benefits of attending essential skills classes?

Being able to improve your skills and confidence in:

* Maths
* English
* Digital Skills
* English for Speakers of other Languages (ESOL)

Why choose Torfaen Adult Community Learning?

* All essential skills course tuition is **free** (additional fees may apply)
* Our learning environment is safe and welcoming
* Our tutors are experienced, friendly and patient
* Our classes are relaxed with no pressure
* No previous qualifications are needed
* You can learn at your own pace

Whether you are starting from scratch or brushing up old skills, we will help you every step of the way.
Learning is not about being a genius it's about confidence!

To get advice on finding the right course for you, phone our friendly essential skills team on 01633 647647 Option 4
or email essentialskills@torfaen.gov.uk

ESSENTIAL SKILLS - Literacy

Our literacy classes are carefully designed to help adult learners improve their writing (spelling, punctuation and grammar), reading and everyday communication skills (speaking and listening).

Creative Writing

Ever wanted to write but don't know where to start? Learn the basics of creative writing: creating characters, themes, exploring genres and plots.

NEW Introduction to English Literature

A course for confident readers that will focus on a wide range of genres such as novels, poetry and short stories. Indulge in the writings of modern and historic authors. Together we will delve into the plots and characters.

NEW A Conversation about History

Discover and discuss the people, events and stories that have shaped our world, including conflicts and turning points, World War I and II.

NEW What's in the News?

Would you like to be able to read news articles with confidence and take part in a healthy classroom debate about them? This course will give you valuable skills in reading for purpose, inference, understanding what you read, and taking part in a structured discussion.

Essential Skills for Parents

Designed especially for parents who want to support their child's literacy and numeracy development. Explore ways to encourage a love of reading, writing and number work.

ESSENTIAL SKILLS - ESOL

Our ESOL courses help adults develop speaking, listening, reading and writing skills.

The purpose of our ESOL courses is to help you communicate more confidently, improve your English skills for work, support your family and daily activities.

Beginners

For learners starting their English journey. An introductory course for complete beginners and those with little or no literacy skills in English.

Improvers

For learners who want to build on existing skills with some basic knowledge of English, and for those who need to work on grammar, vocabulary, and speaking and listening skills.

ESSENTIAL SKILLS - Digital Skills

From complete beginners to more confident users, our courses will help you develop practical digital skills for everyday life, work and communication.

- Discover what AI is and how it is changing everyday life. Explore what AI is, learn about the pros and cons of AI, and learn how to use AI tools safely.
- Get valuable hints and tips on how to stay safe online, including how to use security features to protect digital devices and information, and how to spot what's real and fake.
- A world of information is at your fingertips if you know how to find it. Search smarter not harder.
- Learn how to produce word processed documents using Google Docs, spreadsheets using Google Sheets, or presentations using Google Slides. You will be creating professional looking documents in no time!
- Managing files: photos, documents, personal information and understanding computer storage versus cloud storage.

Family History (Ancestry)

Use digital skills to research your family history. Our courses will help you plan a strategy and show you how to access a range of online resources.

ESSENTIAL SKILLS - Numeracy

Maths is essential for everyday life from shopping, cooking, DIY or planning a holiday.

From complete beginners to more confident abilities, our courses will help you develop skills for everyday life, work and further education. No pressure, no judgement, just supportive learning at your own pace.

- ✚ Managing your shopping.
- ✕ Weights and measures for cookery.
- ✚ Planning and currency conversions for holidays.
- ✕ Measuring and estimating for DIY projects.
- ✚ Problem solving, puzzles, fun with numbers.
- ✕ Understanding bills, managing money and budgeting.
- ✚ Feeling confident helping with homework.
- ✕ Confidence in addition, multiplication, subtraction, division, percentages and statistics.

Enrol today and discover that maths can make sense!

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DIGITAL DROP IN

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Drop-in sessions are available for help and support with your digital skills or device questions

Blaenavon Library

Blaenavon World Heritage Centre and Library, Church Road, Blaenavon, NP4 9AS

and

Pontypool Library

Hanbury Rd, Pontypool NP4 6JL
Alternate Thursdays 10:00 - 12:00

Cwmbran Library

Gwent House Gwent Square, Cwmbran NP44 1XQ
Mondays 10:00 - 12:00

LIFESTYLE AND LEISURE

Through our Lifestyle and Leisure courses, you could have the opportunity to enhance your existing creative skills, find passion for a new hobby or simply improve your wellbeing. Improving wellbeing can reduce stress levels and help regain focus in an often-challenging world.

Our wide range of courses are delivered by skilled and passionate tutors, who will welcome you whether you are a new or existing learner to us and will support you in an informal, friendly environment whilst you work on achieving your own aspirations and goals.

Our community is embracing the opportunity to learn new skills, take on fresh challenges and become more resilient – could this be you?

Apply now for a place on one of our courses today, whether you are a keen baker, a budding dressmaker or a traveller wanting to learn the local language, we have something to suit everyone.

Arts and Crafts Courses

Discover your creative side by joining one of our arts and crafts courses. Come and experience the joy of designing, upcycling, creating and making hand crafted objects for yourself or as a gift to give to loved ones.

Language Courses

Learning a language can be a transformative experience in many ways. It will increase the opportunity to meet new people and allows us to discover & appreciate new cultures. Travel can be a true adventure! Whatever your reason, we have a course to suit everyone.

General Education

Want to learn British Sign Language or the Wonders of the Ancient World? Whether you are a novice photographer or setting your sights on our universe, we have something for everyone.

Guitars

Whether you are a wishing to improve or enhance your existing skills, we have a guitar course that's right for you.

Cookery Courses

Explore different cultures and their traditional cuisines, whilst tantalising your taste buds. Take the opportunity to develop your knowledge and skills to plan and create healthy and affordable home cooked meals using everyday ingredients. These courses focus on authentic techniques and basic ingredients, to make cost effective meals.

ADVICE AND GUIDANCE

AIM LEVEL 2 & LEVEL 3 CERTIFICATE IN COUNSELLING SKILLS

If you are considering attending the Level 2 or Level 3 Award in Counselling Skills course, join us at our induction session.

By attending the induction day you will be able to:

* **Check your eligibility for the course**
* **Gain an insight into the course content, format and qualification**
* **Find out more about the accreditation process**

Places must be booked in advance, and learners are required to attend the full session.

Thursday 16 July 2026, 5.00pm - 8.30pm

The Power Station, Blenheim Road, St Dials, Cwmbran, NP4 4SY

QUALIFICATIONS AND SKILLS FOR EMPLOYMENT

GCSE - WJEC

Our highly successful GCSE Maths and English courses are the gateway to a brighter future. They could be your passport to employment, new career goals or entry into higher education. These intensive courses require regular attendance and extra work at home. The WJEC set syllabus is followed. Scheduled examinations take place in May and June 2027.

GCSE English - You will need to be a good reader, be confident about writing, be able to express your ideas and respond in a discussion. You will follow the WJEC set syllabus which will include reading and critically evaluating texts, summarising and synthesising information and ideas, and effectively using standard English, grammar, punctuation and spelling in writing.

GCSE Maths - You will need to have a good basic understanding of mathematical principles. You will follow the WJEC set syllabus. Topics include number, data handling, algebra and shape.

NEW Essential Skills Wales Qualifications

Level 2, Essential Skills Wales Communication and Numeracy qualifications can help you develop essential skills for personal growth and career development. Learners can gain a solid foundation in key skills such as communication, numeracy and digital skills. These qualifications are often a prerequisite for further education, apprenticeships and other career opportunities.

Counselling Skills Level 2 and Level 3 - AIM

The AIM suite of counselling qualifications is available for learners at different stages of their careers in counselling. They are designed, taking into account professional counselling bodies' requirements for the accreditation of counsellors and is structured to ensure their requirements in terms of guided learning hours and practicum are covered.

AIM Qualifications Level 2 Counselling Skills - Learners are introduced to the roots of counselling theory and how theory underpins counselling skills. This qualification provides a rudimentary understanding of the three main areas of counselling theory and how they can relate to counselling practice. Learners will also begin to develop their practical skills in developing, maintaining and concluding a basic counselling session, providing them with the skills, knowledge and understanding of practice within the boundaries of an ethical framework.

This qualification has been designed as a step in the ladder for professional development for aspiring and practising counsellors. Learners may progress onto the AIM Qualifications Level 3 Certificate in Counselling.

AIM Qualifications Level 3 Certificate in Counselling - This qualification enables learners to work towards becoming a reflective practitioner of counselling by considering theories of human development, self-awareness, supervision and issues of difference and diversity. It also provides knowledge and understanding of the main core theories and theorists that underpin counselling and addresses the nature of psychological problems and how they may be approached.

The specialist skills and knowledge gained in this qualification will be applicable in a range of working contexts. It will enable learners to understand the need for a firm grasp of a coherent theoretical approach to counselling or supporting others. This is particularly important prior to starting work in a supervised placement if learners progress to Level 4.

NEW Working with Children and Young Adults

If you are looking for a pathway to a qualification or considering working with Children or Young Adults we have the course for you.

Award in Understanding Mental Wellbeing Level 2 - RSPH

The objective of this qualification is to provide candidates with a knowledge and understanding of the principles of mental wellbeing, the effect of mental wellbeing on the individual and community, and how mental wellbeing can be maintained or improved.

The qualification will provide learners with an understanding of the importance of mental wellbeing, the theoretical models that can be used to describe it and factors that may affect it.

Award in Asbestos Awareness Level 1 - Highfield

This qualification is designed for those who may be exposed to asbestos within their working environment and require a simple overview of the risks.

Holders of this qualification will be able to explain the effects of asbestos on the health of individuals, the types of material likely to contain asbestos, the location of these materials within buildings, and procedures for minimising the risk of asbestos fibre release.

Award in the Principles of Fire Safety Awareness Level 1 - Highfield

This qualification is aimed at all staff, particularly new starters in any workplace, where a basic understanding of fire safety is required. Topics include:

- Principles of fire safety awareness
- Hazards and risk with fire in the workplace
- Controlling fire risks

Food Safety for Catering Level 2 - Highfield

The objective of this qualification is to prepare learners for employment in a catering role, or to support a role in the workplace. Topics include:

- Importance of food handlers keeping themselves clean and hygienic
- Keeping work areas clean and hygienic
- Importance of keeping food products safe
- Principles of food safety

Emergency Paediatric First Aid Level 3 - QA

This regulated and nationally recognised qualification provides learners with the opportunity to develop the basic skills and knowledge needed to deal with a range of emergency paediatric first aid situations which could arise when looking after children.

Intended Audience:

- Those who have gained a level 2 or 3 childcare qualification and have entered into an early years setting and wish to be included in the staff to child ratios to comply with the EYFS requirements.
- Anyone who cares for infants and children, such as parents, guardians, grandparents or those who have an involvement with infants and children, and wants to learn key paediatric first aid skills.

Award in First Aid Essentials Level 2 - QA

This regulated and nationally recognised qualification enables learners to gain the skills and knowledge needed to administer safe, prompt, effective first aid in situations which can arise when providing care. During this one day course, learners will develop the skills and knowledge needed to deal with a range of first aid situations, including: managing an unresponsive casualty, CPR, choking, external bleeding, shock and minor injuries.

REGISTER YOUR INTEREST
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QUALIFICATIONS

COURSE	CODE	DAY	START TIME	END TIME	START DATE	DURATION	FEE
Essential Skills for Working with Children and Young Adults	DEC003	W	13:00	15:00	23/09/2026	15 weeks	£3.00⑤
First Aid Essentials Level 2	DGC004	F	09:00	16:30	25/09/2026	1 session	FREE
Emergency Paediatric First Aid	DGC003	F	09:00	16:30	13/11/2026	1 session	FREE

LIFESTYLE AND LEISURE

Music

COURSE	CODE	DAY	START TIME	END TIME	START DATE	DURATION	FEE
Guitars - Intermediate	FAC020	W	19:00	21:00	16/09/2026	15 weeks	£130.50
Guitars - Improvers	FAC022	Th	19:00	21:00	17/09/2026	15 weeks	£130.50

Languages

COURSE	CODE	DAY	START TIME	END TIME	START DATE	DURATION	FEE
Spanish - Intermediate	FLC001	Tu	10:00	12:00	15/09/2026	15 weeks	£130.50
Spanish - Higher Improvers Year 2	FLC003	Tu	18:30	20:30	15/09/2026	15 weeks	£130.50
Spanish - Higher Improvers	FLC004	W	18:30	20:30	16/09/2026	15 weeks	£130.50
French for Beginners	FLC005	M	18:30	20:30	21/09/2026	15 weeks	£130.50
German for Beginners	FLC006	Tu	18:30	20:30	22/09/2026	15 weeks	£130.50
Spanish - Higher Intermediate	FLC007	W	10:00	12:00	16/09/2026	15 weeks	£130.50

General Education

COURSE	CODE	DAY	START TIME	END TIME	START DATE	DURATION	FEE
Photography for Beginners	FGC001	F	10:00	12:00	25/09/2026	10 weeks	£86.50
British Sign Language - Beginners	FGC002	W	12:45	14:45	30/09/2026	10 weeks	£86.50
British Sign Language - Beginners	FGC003	W	15:00	17:00	30/09/2026	10 weeks	£86.50
Exploring the Wonders of Our World	FGC004	M	18:30	20:30	05/10/2026	7 weeks	£61.00
An Introduction to Aromatherapy Workshop	FGC005	F	10:00	14:00	09/10/2026	1 session	£20.00
Photography Using Smart Tech Devices	FGC006	Sa	10:00	14:00	17/10/2026	1 session	£17.00
Introduction to Astronomy - Exploring the Universe	FGC007	Sa	10:00	13:00	17/10/2026	1 session	£12.75
Astronomy - Discover the Wonders of the Universe	FGC008	W	19:00	21:00	14/10/2026	8 weeks	£69.50
An Introduction to Indian Head Massage Workshop	FGC009	F	10:00	14:00	13/11/2026	1 session	£20.00
Unlocking the Mind	FGC010	Sa	10:00	13:00	21/11/2026	1 session	£12.75
An Introduction to Reflexology Workshop	FGC011	F	10:00	14:00	11/12/2026	1 session	£20.00

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④ Accreditation cost included in course fee
⑤ Centre user group membership fees apply

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Arts and Crafts

COURSE	CODE	DAY	START TIME	END TIME	START DATE	DURATION	FEE
Woodturning	FAC001	M	09:30	12:00	07/09/2026	12 weeks	£171.60 ①
Woodturning	FAC002	M	13:00	15:30	07/09/2026	12 weeks	£171.60 ①
Woodturning	FAC003	M	18:30	21:00	07/09/2026	12 weeks	£171.60 ①
Woodturning	FAC004	Tu	09:30	12:00	08/09/2026	12 weeks	£171.60 ①
Woodturning	FAC005	Tu	13:00	15:30	08/09/2026	12 weeks	£171.60 ①
Woodturning	FAC006	Tu	18:30	21:00	08/09/2026	12 weeks	£171.60 ①
Ceramics and Pottery	FAC008	M	19:00	21:00	14/09/2026	15 weeks	£130.50 ①
Ceramics and Pottery	FAC010	Tu	13:15	15:15	15/09/2026	15 weeks	£130.50 ①
Ceramics and Pottery	FAC011	Tu	18:30	20:30	15/09/2026	15 weeks	£130.50 ①
Wire Jewellery Designs using Copper and Silver Wire	FAC012	Tu	16:00	18:00	15/09/2026	6 weeks	£64.50 ②
Silver and Copper Jewellery	FAC013	Tu	19:00	21:00	15/09/2026	15 weeks	£130.50 ①
Ceramics and Pottery - Advanced	FAC015	W	13:15	15:15	16/09/2026	15 weeks	£130.50 ①
Ceramics and Pottery	FAC016	W	18:30	20:30	16/09/2026	15 weeks	£130.50 ①
Dressmaking Advanced Skills	FAC017	W	10:00	12:00	16/09/2026	15 weeks	£130.50 ①
Sewing - Make your own Clothes	FAC018	W	12:30	14:30	16/09/2026	15 weeks	£130.50 ①
Silver and Copper Jewellery	FAC019	W	19:00	21:00	16/09/2026	15 weeks	£130.50 ①
Ceramics and Pottery	FAC021	Th	19:00	21:00	17/09/2026	15 weeks	£130.50 ①
Ceramics and Pottery Workshop	FAC024	Sa	10:00	15:00	19/09/2026	1 session	£28.25 ②
Tree of Life Pendant	FAC025	Sa	10:00	14:00	19/09/2026	1 session	£23.00 ②
Woodturning - Day School	FAC026	Sa	10:00	15:00	19/09/2026	1 session	£40.35 ②
Acrylic Painting Beginners	FAC027	Tu	13:00	15:00	22/09/2026	10 weeks	£92.50 ②
Watercolours	FAC028	W	18:30	20:30	07/10/2026	8 weeks	£74.50 ②
Introduction to Watercolours	FAC029	W	15:30	17:30	07/10/2026	6 weeks	£57.50 ②
Acrylic Painting Improvers	FAC031	Th	10:00	12:00	24/09/2026	10 weeks	£86.50 ①
Sewing for All	FAC032	Th	18:30	20:30	24/09/2026	15 weeks	£130.50 ①
Ceramics and Pottery Workshop	FAC039	Sa	10:00	15:00	17/10/2026	1 session	£28.25 ②
Decorative Decoupage Jars	FAC040	Sa	10:00	14:00	17/10/2026	1 session	£23.00 ②
Make a Willow Berry Basket	FAC041	Sa	10:00	15:00	17/10/2026	1 session	£29.25 ②
Woodturning - Day School	FAC042	Sa	10:00	15:00	17/10/2026	1 session	£40.35 ②
Wire Jewellery Designs using Copper and Silver Wire	FAC043	Tu	16:00	18:00	03/11/2026	6 weeks	£64.50 ②
Ceramics and Pottery Workshop	FAC050	Sa	10:00	15:00	21/11/2026	1 session	£28.25 ②

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Cookery

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Ultimate Curry Master Class	FAC007	Th	18:00	20:30	10/09/2026	4 weeks	£50.00 ③
Simple and Healthy Air Fryer Cooking	FAC009	Tu	10:30	14:30	15/09/2026	1 session	£27.00 ②
Simple and Healthy Air Fryer Cooking	FAC014	W	16:30	20:30	16/09/2026	1 session	£27.00 ②
Chutneys, Jams and Sauces	FAC023	Sa	10:30	14:30	19/09/2026	1 session	£27.00 ②
Cake Decoration and Sugarcraft	FAC030	Th	10:00	12:00	24/09/2026	10 weeks	£86.50 ①
Oriental Cookery	FAC033	Tu	10:30	12:30	06/10/2026	4 weeks	£41.50 ③
Bake your own Bread	FAC034	Tu	17:00	20:30	06/10/2026	5 weeks	£83.88 ③
Home Cooking - The Next Level	FAC035	W	10:30	12:30	07/10/2026	3 weeks	£33.50 ③
Mastering Middle Eastern Cuisine	FAC036	W	18:30	20:30	07/10/2026	4 weeks	£41.50 ③
Tandoori Dough Works	FAC037	Th	18:00	20:30	08/10/2026	3 weeks	£39.38 ③
Sweet Treats	FAC038	Sa	10:00	14:00	17/10/2026	1 session	£25.00 ②
Breads from around the World	FAC044	W	10:30	14:00	04/11/2026	5 weeks	£83.88 ③
Fakeaway/Takeaway	FAC045	W	18:30	20:30	11/11/2026	4 weeks	£41.50 ③
Indian Street Food	FAC046	Th	18:00	20:30	05/11/2026	4 weeks	£50.00 ③
Warm & Hearty - Cozy Winter Cooking	FAC047	Tu	10:30	12:30	10/11/2026	4 weeks	£41.50 ③
Plant Power	FAC048	Tu	18:30	20:30	17/11/2026	4 weeks	£41.50 ③
Heat & Save: Cooking Smart with Thermal Bags	FAC049	Sa	10:30	12:30	21/11/2026	1 session	£18.50 ②
Christmas Cupcake Wreath Creations	FAC054	Th	13:00	16:00	03/12/2026	1 session	£18.75②
Wholesome Indian Cooking	FAC055	Th	18:00	20:30	03/12/2026	3 weeks	£39.38 ③
Cookery - Plan and Prep for Christmas	FAC059	Tu	10:30	13:30	08/12/2026	1 session	£20.75 ②
Cookery - Plan and Prep for Christmas	FAC063	W	17:30	20:30	09/12/2026	1 session	£20.75 ②
Classic Desserts	FAC069	Tu	17:30	20:30	15/12/2026	1 session	£20.75 ②
Classic Desserts	FAC070	W	10:30	13:30	16/12/2026	1 session	£20.75 ②

Restart a Heart Sessions

COURSE	CODE	DAY	START TIME	END TIME	START DATE	DURATION	COST
Restart a Heart	DGC006	F	10:00	13:00	11/09/2026	1 session	FREE
Restart a Heart	DGC007	F	10:00	13:00	25/09/2026	1 session	FREE
Restart a Heart	DGC008	F	10:00	13:00	23/10/2026	1 session	FREE

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③ Ingredients/Materials included in first session
④ Accreditation cost included in course fee
⑤ Centre user group membership fees apply

CROESYCEILIOG COMMUNITY EDUCATION CENTRE

The Highway, Croesyceiliog, NP44 2HF

01633 647647 Option 2

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LIFESTYLE AND LEISURE

Arts and Crafts

COURSE	CODE	DAY	START TIME	END TIME	START DATE	DURATION	FEE
Copper and Wire Jewellery	FAC051	Sa	10:00	14:00	21/11/2026	1 session	£25.00 ②
Macrame - Christmas Decorations Workshop	FAC052	Sa	10:00	15:00	21/11/2026	1 session	£30.25 ②
Woodturning - Day School	FAC053	Sa	10:00	15:00	21/11/2026	1 session	£40.35 ②
Woodturning	FAC056	M	09:30	12:00	07/12/2026	12 weeks	£171.60 ①
Woodturning	FAC057	M	13:00	15:30	07/12/2026	12 weeks	£171.60 ①
Woodturning	FAC058	M	18:30	21:00	07/12/2026	12 weeks	£171.60 ①
Woodturning	FAC060	Tu	09:30	12:00	08/12/2026	12 weeks	£171.60 ①
Woodturning	FAC061	Tu	13:00	15:30	08/12/2026	12 weeks	£171.60 ①
Woodturning	FAC062	Tu	18:30	21:00	08/12/2026	12 weeks	£171.60 ①
Paint a Watercolour Christmas Card	FAC064	W	18:00	20:30	09/12/2026	1 session	£15.63 ②
Ceramics and Pottery Workshop	FAC065	Sa	10:00	15:00	12/12/2026	1 session	£28.25 ②
Pebble Art - Festive Theme	FAC066	Sa	10:00	14:00	12/12/2026	1 session	£25.00 ②
Willow Weaving - Christmas Decorations Workshop	FAC067	Sa	10:00	15:00	12/12/2026	1 session	£30.25 ②
Woodturning - Day School	FAC068	Sa	10:00	15:00	12/12/2026	1 session	£40.35 ②

Fully Funded Taster Sessions

COURSE	CODE	DAY	START TIME	END TIME	START DATE	DURATION	VENUE
Discover Wire Jewellery - Taster ⑥	DEC006	Tu	10:00	12:00	01/09/2026	1 session	Croesyceiliog CEC
Everyday Healthy Meals - Cookery Taster ⑥	DEC010	Tu	10:30	12:30	01/09/2026	1 session	Croesyceiliog CEC
Beginners Cake Decorating - Taster ⑥	DEC011	Th	10:00	12:00	03/09/2026	1 session	Croesyceiliog CEC
Getting Started with Photography - Taster ⑥	DEC005	F	10:00	12:00	04/09/2026	1 session	Croesyceiliog CEC
An Introduction to Understanding Mental Wellbeing - Taster ⑥	DGC001	F	09:00	12:00	04/09/2026	1 session	Cwmbran Library
Discover Pebble Art - Taster ⑥	DEC007	Tu	10:00	12:00	08/09/2026	1 session	Croesyceiliog CEC
Beginners Watercolours - Taster ⑥	DEC008	W	15:30	17:30	09/09/2026	1 session	Croesyceiliog CEC
Start Signing! - BSL Taster ⑥	DGC005	W	15:00	17:00	09/09/2026	1 session	Croesyceiliog CEC
Mindful Art - Taster ⑥	DEC009	F	13:00	15:00	25/09/2026	1 session	Cwmbran Library
Astronomy-Discover the Universe - Taster ⑥	DEC001	W	19:00	21:00	23/09/2026	1 session	Croesyceiliog CEC
An Introduction to Understanding Mental Wellbeing - Taster ⑥	DGC002	F	09:00	12:00	06/11/2026	1 session	Cwmbran Library
Give Welsh a Go - Taster ⑥	DEC002	F	13:00	15:00	13/11/2026	1 session	Cwmbran Library

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⑤ Centre user group membership fees apply
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PONTYPOOL COMMUNITY EDUCATION CENTRE

The Settlement, Trosnant Street, Pontypool, NP4 8AT

01633 647647 Option 3

thesettlement@torfaen.gov.uk

LIFESTYLE AND LEISURE

Arts and Crafts

COURSE	CODE	DAY	START TIME	END TIME	START DATE	DURATION	FEE
Dressmaking for Improvers	FAS001	M	19:00	21:00	14/09/2026	15 weeks	£130.50 ①
Dressmaking Advanced Skills	FAS002	Tu	19:00	21:00	15/09/2026	15 weeks	£130.50 ①
Dressmaking for Improvers	FAS003	W	19:00	21:00	16/09/2026	15 weeks	£130.50 ①
The Sewing Hub	FAS004	Th	12:30	16:30	24/09/2026	1 session	£17.00 ①
Beginners Sewing Workshop	FAS005	Th	12:30	16:30	08/10/2026	1 session	£22.00 ②
The Sewing Hub	FAS006	Th	12:30	16:30	22/10/2026	1 session	£17.00 ①
Beginners Sewing Workshop	FAS007	Th	12:30	16:30	05/11/2026	1 session	£22.00 ②
The Sewing Hub	FAS008	Th	12:30	16:30	19/11/2026	1 session	£17.00 ①
Beginners Sewing Workshop	FAS009	Th	12:30	16:30	03/12/2026	1 session	£22.00 ②
The Sewing Hub	FAS010	Th	12:30	16:30	17/12/2026	1 session	£17.00 ①

QUALIFICATIONS

COURSE	CODE	DAY	START TIME	END TIME	START DATE	DURATION	FEE
GCSE Maths Resit	DGS001	Tu	18:00	20:30	01/09/2026	9 weeks	£124.00 ④
GCSE Maths	DGS002	W	18:00	20:30	09/09/2026	32 weeks	£265.00 ④
GCSE English	DGS003	Th	09:30	12:00	10/09/2026	32 weeks	£265.00 ④
Essential Skills for Working with Children and Young Adults	DES001	Th	18:00	20:00	24/09/2026	15 weeks	£3.00 ⑤

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④ Accreditation cost included in course fee
⑤ Centre user group membership fees apply

THE POWER STATION

Blenheim Road, St Dials, NP44 4SY

01633 647647 Option 1

power.station@torfaen.gov.uk

QUALIFICATIONS

COURSE	CODE	DAY	START TIME	END TIME	START DATE	DURATION	FEE
ICDL Workshop Levels 1&2	DEP003	Tu	18:30	20:30	08/09/2026	12 weeks	£44.00 ④
Counselling Skills - Certificate Level 2	DGP001	M	18:00	20:30	07/09/2026	31 weeks	£350.50 ④
Counselling Skills - Certificate Level 3	DGP002	W	18:00	21:00	09/09/2026	36 weeks	£447.00 ④
GCSE English	DGP003	M	18:00	20:30	07/09/2026	32 weeks	£265.00 ④
GCSE English	DGP008	W	09:30	12:00	09/09/2026	32 weeks	£265.00 ④
GCSE Maths	DGP004	Tu	09:30	12:00	08/09/2026	32 weeks	£265.00 ④
GCSE Maths	DGP005	W	09:30	12:00	09/09/2026	32 weeks	£265.00 ④
GCSE Maths	DGP006	Tu	18:00	20:30	08/09/2026	32 weeks	£265.00 ④
GCSE Maths	DGP007	Th	18:30	21:00	10/09/2026	32 weeks	£265.00 ④

General Education

COURSE	CODE	DAY	START TIME	END TIME	START DATE	DURATION	FEE
Photography for Beginners	FGP001	Th	18:30	20:30	24/09/2026	10 weeks	£86.50
British Sign Language - Beginners	FGP002	Th	18:00	20:00	01/10/2026	10 weeks	£86.50
Lightroom Basics: Getting Started	FGP003	Tu	18:30	20:30	06/10/2026	4 weeks	£35.50

Arts and Crafts

COURSE	CODE	DAY	START TIME	END TIME	START DATE	DURATION	FEE
Cake Decoration and Sugarcraft	FAP001	M	16:30	18:30	21/09/2026	10 weeks	£86.50 ①
Cake Decoration and Sugarcraft	FAP002	M	19:00	21:00	21/09/2026	10 weeks	£86.50 ①
Introduction to Willow Weaving	FAP003	W	10:00	13:00	30/09/2026	4 weeks	£77.50 ②
Mindful Art	FAP009	M	13:00	15:00	05/10/2026	6 weeks	£57.50 ②
Introduction to Macrame	FAP007	W	10:00	13:00	04/11/2026	4 weeks	£72.50 ②
Make Macrame Bunting	FAP004	W	10:00	13:00	02/12/2026	1 session	£20.75 ②
Willow Weaving - Angel Workshop	FAP005	W	10:00	13:00	09/12/2026	1 session	£18.75 ②
Macrame - Christmas Tree Workshop	FAP006	W	10:00	13:30	16/12/2026	1 session	£23.88 ②

Languages

COURSE	CODE	DAY	START TIME	END TIME	START DATE	DURATION	FEE
Italian Beginners - Learn the Basics	FLP001	W	10:00	12:00	07/10/2026	10 weeks	£86.50

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COURSE	CODE	DAY	START TIME	END TIME	START DATE	DURATION	FEE
Willow Weaving for Beginners Taster	DEP007	W	10:00	12:00	02/09/2026	1 session	Free ⑥
Macrame for Beginners Taster	DEP008	W	10:00	12:00	09/09/2026	1 session	Free ⑥
Introduction to Psychology Taster	DEP006	F	10:00	12:00	04/12/2026	1 session	Free ⑥

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LEVEL 2 AWARD IN FOOD SAFETY IN *CATERING*

Food safety combines a number of practices to reduce health hazards.

These include premises hygiene, personal hygiene, risk control, pest control and waste management.

This level 2 course is about minimising the level of potential hazards in a food catering setting.

You'll explore how to identify potential risks and apply safe practices in real-world scenarios, helping to protect both customers and colleagues. Whether you're new to catering or looking to refresh your knowledge, this course provides a solid foundation in essential food safety principles.

course.enq@torfaen.gov.uk

Interested?

You can now complete the Level 2 Award in Food Safety in Catering course online at your own pace, with a short in-person session needed to complete the final assessment.

If you're looking for Food Safety in Catering awareness-only, or want face-to-face delivery, just get in touch, we've got options!

For more information or to enrol:
01633 647647 (Select option 6)
course.enq@torfaen.gov.uk

This course is accredited but a non-accredited option is available.

Any re-sits are charged separately.

HIGHFIELD LEVEL 2 AWARD *FOR PERSONAL LICENCE HOLDERS (APLH)*

This qualification is suitable for anyone who is looking to apply for a Personal Licence to sell or authorise the sale of alcohol.

Successful completion of the Level 2 Award for Personal Licence Holders (APLH) demonstrates an individual's knowledge and understanding of licensing law, including legal responsibilities, the role of the Personal Licence Holder, and the importance of promoting the four licensing objectives.

This qualification is a legal requirement and must be achieved before applying for a Personal Licence through your local authority.

course.enq@torfaen.gov.uk

Interested?

Step 1: Register your interest and enrol upon the course.

Step 2: Complete the online training, progress tests and practice assessments.

Step 3: Book and complete the exam at one of Torfaen Adult Community Learning centres.

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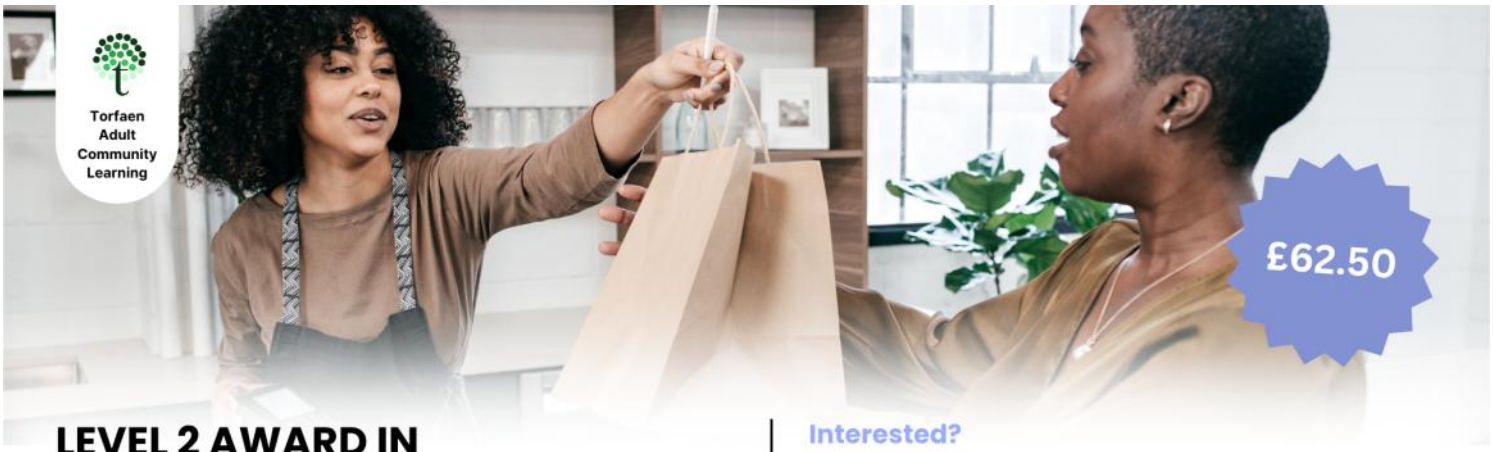

LEVEL 2 AWARD IN CUSTOMER *SERVICE*

Develop your knowledge and understanding with our Level 2 Customer Service course, accredited by Highfields.

Ideal for anyone looking to improve their employability or progress in roles such as customer service, retail, administration or HR. This flexible course is completed through an online learning portal, with learners attending in person to sit a multiple-choice assessment.

A great all-round qualification for anyone wanting to strengthen workplace skills or gain a recognised Level 2 certificate for a specific job opportunity.

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LEVEL 1 AWARD IN ASBESTOS *AWARENESS*

This Asbestos Awareness course raises awareness of the dangers from asbestos and the practical steps that can be taken to reduce the risk of exposure.

The course covers what asbestos is, the main types of asbestos encountered in the UK, how asbestos causes harm, factors that affect the chances of harm being caused, examples where asbestos is found in the UK, how to reduce the risk of exposure and what to do in an emergency.

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Interested?

Step 1: Register your interest and enrol upon the course.

Step 2: Complete the online training, progress tests and practice assessments.

Step 3: Book and complete the paper based exam at one of Torfaen Adult Community Learning centres.

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CONSTRUCTION SKILLS CERTIFICATION SCHEME (CSCS)

(CITB HEALTH, SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENT)

Torfaen Adult Community Learning is now a fully approved test centre for candidates to undertake CITB tests.

CSCS cards are required as proof of competence by contractors, public and private clients and others in the Construction Industry.

citb Training Provider Network

Approved Member

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Interested?

We offer two options:

- Test – Operative Only
- Test only – Operative, Supervisory, Management & Professional plus Specialist H&S
- Training and test – Operative Only, Coming Soon

The Level 1 Award in Health and Safety in a Construction Environment qualification is also available to complete with us.

For more information or to enrol:

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LEVEL 1 AWARD IN *HEALTH AND SAFETY IN A CONSTRUCTION ENVIRONMENT*

This qualification is suitable for everyone (or anyone) seeking employment in labouring occupations in the construction industry, who is looking to obtain their Labourer's Green Card.

Successful achievement of this Level 1 qualification will demonstrate an individual's knowledge and understanding of the health and safety requirements of a construction site.

Once you have completed this qualification you are also required to complete the CITB HS&E test to gain your full Construction Skills Certification Scheme (CSCS) Labourers' Green Card.

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Interested?

Step 1: Complete the online training, progress tests and practice assessments.

Step 2: Book and complete the paper based, multi-choice test, available in a local test centre.

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DO YOU WORK WITH NEEDLES?

LEVEL 2 AWARD IN INFECTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL FOR SPECIAL PROCEDURES PRACTITIONERS

For individuals who practice:

- Acupuncture
- Ear and Body Piercing
- Electrolysis
- Microblading
- Aesthetics
- Tattooing

This qualification is for Special Procedures Practitioners either employed, self-employed or as practitioners managing a business.

Your course options are:

Option one: E-Learning and classroom exam.

(NEW) Option two: E-Learning and online exam.

RESERVE YOUR PLACE TODAY!

To book your place, please contact us on 01633 647647 (select option 6) or email course.enq@torfaen.gov.uk

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Personalised help to overcome barriers and take your next step into work or training

- Tailored support for people facing health challenges, low confidence, or complex life circumstances
- One-to-one guidance to build skills, confidence, and a plan that works for you
- Help finding the right path, whether you're ready to work now or just starting to think about it
- Support to find and access training that will help you progress into work
- Friendly, local support that understands your journey

GET IN TOUCH TODAY TO SEE IF YOU'RE ELIGIBLE

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Torfaen Community Hubs & Libraries

You Can Find Us In:

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From relaxed reading to learning new skills, libraries are here for the whole community - including those who may not have used us before.

Why not give us a try?

What can your library offer you?

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- ☑ Library at Home service

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ROOM HIRE

Torfaen Adult Community Learning centres are able to offer room hire at competitive rates. We have rooms for one-to-one meetings, rooms to cater for gatherings of 10 to 20 persons, and large conference facilities for up to 80 persons. There is a training kitchen in Croesyceiliog CEC too. We can offer the use of interactive smart screens and photocopying facilities.

Rooms are available during the daytime, evenings and weekends.

If you would like more information on the hire of our facilities please call 01633 647647 and a member of our team will be pleased to help with your enquiry.

CLUBS

Torfaen Adult Community Learning supports a wide range of popular clubs.

If you would like to join a club or would like further information, please telephone the club contact details shown below.

Centre	Club	Day	Time	Contact
Croesyceiliog CEC	Cake Decorating and Sugarcraft Club	Monday	19.00 - 21.00	01291 624391 valhcawales@hotmail.co.uk
	Cwtchy Quilting	Tuesday	12.15 - 15.15 19.00 - 21.00	01873 880424 michy8@btinternet.com
	Bobbin Along	Tuesday	19.00 - 21.00	07882 874420
	Cwmbran Woodcarvers and Turners	Wednesday	10.00 - 12.00	01633 960142
	Crow Valley Wood Turners www.crowvalleywoodturners.org.uk	Thursday	19.00 - 21.00	07976 609523 info@crowvalleywoodturners.org.uk
	Watercolours with Rosemary	Thursday	13.30 - 15.30	01633 679219
	Green Valley Quilters	3rd Saturday	10.30 - 15.00	01633 865291
	Gwent Creative Stitch and Textiles	3rd Saturday	10.00 - 15.30	shaw.lynda@gmail.com
Pontypool CEC	Seated Yoga	Wednesday	11.00 - 12.00	01633 647647 (option 3)
	Retired Men Bowls Club	Monday	13.30 - 15.30	01633 647647 (option 3)
	Card making and Parchment Club	Tuesday	13.00 - 15.00	01495 785745
	Watercolours with Rosemary	Wednesday	13.00 - 15.00	01633 679219
	Patchwork & Quilting	Friday	10.00 - 13.00	01633 647647 (option 3)
Power Station	Crochet Club	Monday	10.30 - 12.30	01633 862863

Is your club looking for a new venue?
Call 01633 647647 Option 1 or email power.station@torfaen.gov.uk