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CRC LAUNCHES FIRST YOUNG APPRENTICESHIP IN ENGINEERING IN CAMBRIDGE

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Cambridge Regional College (CRC) has been awarded funding from the Learning and Skills Council (LSC) to run the first Young Apprenticeship in Engineering Programme in Cambridge.

This exciting new scheme is a two year programme for 14-16 year olds students who would benefit from building a strong foundation before moving on to a full Engineering Apprenticeship, or another progression route.

The students will be working towards a BTEC Level 2 Certificate in Engineering, which is run by CRC in partnership with Linton Village College, Swavesey Village College, The Manor Community College, Impington Village College and Sawston Village College. As well as the academic side, students will also spend time with local employers where they will build their knowledge of engineering techniques and gain an understanding of work issues, such as time-management.

Sarah Veitch, the Young Apprenticeship Project Manager said, "The Young Apprenticeship programme is an excellent way for young people to experience real working conditions and gain a thorough insight into their chosen vocational career path. For employers it is a unique opportunity to contribute to and develop their future workforce. Cambridge Regional College is delighted to be working in partnership with local schools to deliver

what we consider to be a refreshing new programme with the potential to fast track able young people into realising their career aspirations”

The Young Apprenticeship in Engineering is the first course of its kind in Cambridge and will be running from 2008 to 2010. A full day launch event was held at Linton Village College on Thursday 11th September, where students were encouraged to work together to complete complex tasks and to learn about the foundations of Business and Enterprise.

If you are interested in hosting a Young Apprentice from the 2008 cohort or would like to be involved in providing work related engineering experiences then CRC would like to hear from you. Please call us on 01223 226374 or email youngapprenticeships@camre.ac.uk

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