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Press Release

SIGN UP FOR AN ACTION-PACKED PRINCE'S TRUST PROGRAMME AT CRC

The Prince's Trust is looking for new recruits to sign up for a free action-packed course designed to help 16 to 25 year-olds get a job.

The 12 week programme at Cambridge Regional College, open to young people out of work or not in education, provides a great opportunity to gain confidence and qualifications

The course includes an action-packed week away from home, challenging projects, team work, careers advice and work experience – giving a big boost to job prospects.

“The Prince's Trust programme really can change lives,” said Heather Yeadon, Prince's Trust team leader at CRC. “Everyone has an amazing time and ends up with a better CV, practical skills and work experience.

“There is a growing problem of youth unemployment in the country and this is designed to help young people get into work or back into education – and have a great time doing it. At the end of the course they will have the skills and qualifications which can lead to a new future.

“We believe that every young person has potential even if they cannot see it for themselves. But we hope they will be able to after attending the course.”

The College is holding a drop-in session between 10am and 4pm on Wednesday, 7 September to explain more about the programme and to highlight some of its

successes – including the case of 23 year-old Joe Davies, who joined the course in May after more than a year out of work.

“He was very dispirited and thought he would never get a job,” said Heather. “But thanks to the course he became inspired again.

“He did two weeks work experience at Swift Catering at the Botanical Gardens – which was set up with support from the Prince’s Trust - and discovered a real passion and flair for catering. He has now enrolled on a catering course at CRC and is looking forward to a great future.”

For more information about the Prince’s Trust, see www.camre.ac.uk or ring 01223 418587 or 07711929039. Cambridge Regional College runs three Prince’s Trust team programmes a year, starting in September, January and May.

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MEDIA ENQUIRIES

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NOTES TO EDITORS

Cambridge Regional College is one of the largest providers of full-time further education for 16 to 19 year-olds in the eastern region, with more than 4,000 full-time and 6,000 part-time students. Students come in from a 40-mile radius, covering Cambridge and its surrounding villages, eastern Bedfordshire, northern Essex and western Suffolk. Over 80 per cent of full-time students are aged 16 to 18 years old and come to the College after secondary school; the rest are mature students, studying on a range of Access to Higher Education and vocational programmes.