GO-WOMAN! ALLIANCE CIC

Press Release

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Go-Woman! Alliance CIC (GOAL) launches Internet Café at its GOAL_Saltley satellite site

After months of hard work, GOAL_Saltley saw the launch of the Internet Café on 27th September 2012. As a UK Online Specialist In-Work centre, Internet Café will be a great addition to the learners, supporting them in accessing training and employment support.

Currently the centre runs number of sessions in the community supporting women to gain confidence through developing language and practical skills. The Internet Café sessions provide basic level IT training for people who don't have much experience in using the internet, which will include how to send emails and shop online. Through facilitated Internet Café sessions, individuals in the community will be able to access the internet for jobs, learning and social purposes.

Yasmin Akhtar, project manager at the group, said "We are delighted with the launch of the Internet Café. The idea was first discussed with Adderley Children centre back in June 2012. The speed and the efficiency with which the governing body and the centre have transformed the area, ready for the new term, demonstrates the centres commitment in working in partnership with GOAL to support learners from the community. This combined with support from UK Online, GOAL are excited about the endless possibilities this opens to learners in terms of broadening their horizon, in learning, employment and self-employment opportunities.

With the introduction of the Internet Café, GOAL_Saltley will be able to offer learner I.T. support throughout the week; to those that are new to IT; those looking to build on their current skills to help develop employable skills and those wishing to gain further qualifications within IT.

"Our partnership with GOAL and their facilitation of the Internet Café has increased the opportunities for our families and the community enabling access to online learning and an opportunity to gain recognised qualifications", said Donna Barton, Deputy Head - Care, from Adderley Children Centre.

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Notes to editor

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