



Adult Tailored Learning (ATL)

Learner Impact Form 2024/2025

This form is to be used by tutors to document a learner's / or group of learners' experience on their course and showcase the **impact** that it had upon them.

Once completed, please email this form to adult.learning@hants.gov.uk.

Tutor Name: Matthew Tanner			
Provider's name: HA Learning in Libraries			
Course attended: Play in Harmony: Ukulele for Beginners			
Course Start Date:	25/09/25	Course End Date:	23/10/25

Did this course help the learner / learners to: (tick all that apply)

Progress towards employment ☐

Improve their health and wellbeing (including mental health) ☒

Support their child's learning ☐

Develop / engage in their local community ☒

Improved their maths, English or digital literacy skills (including ESOL) ☐

Progress to further learning ☐

Raise their awareness of sustainable living / energy efficiency ☐

Did this learner / group of learners give written consent to share their name and details of their learning journey / impact for publicity purposes? Would this learner / group of learners be happy for a member of Hampshire County Council's Adult Tailored Learning Team to contact them? Please tick one of the options shown below:

1. No, they do not want their name or personal details included in this Impact Statement (please remove any identifying information)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2. They do not want to be contacted, but have given written consent to use the details shown below	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Yes, they are happy to be contacted by Hampshire County Council's Adult Tailored Learning Team for more information (please include contact details below):	<input type="checkbox"/>
Learner's email address:	
Learner's telephone number:	



Please tell us why you think this learner's story, or group of learners' stories is important to share.

We would like to know **what impact** the course had, or what difference it made to them. Please feel free to include any photographs, work products, learner comments etc. below:

Learner 1

I cannot recommend this ukulele course highly enough! From the very first session, it was clear that this was more than just learning an instrument — it was a journey toward better mental health and personal growth. The lessons are structured in a way that makes playing feel joyful and stress-free, even for complete beginners.

The act of creating music, combined with the supportive and encouraging teaching style, fostered a sense of community and connection that is so vital for mental health.

This course doesn't just teach you how to play the ukulele—it gives you a toolkit for relaxation, creativity, and self-expression. If you're looking for something that nurtures both your musical skills and your mental wellbeing, this is the perfect choice.

Learner 2

I would very much like to express my thanks and gratitude to Matthew for his excellent tuition at a recent ukulele course I attended at Hayling Library.

I was a complete beginner when I started the course but with Matthew's exuberance and positive personality I was inspired to enrol for a later Improvers course and I am now a member of two ukulele groups playing at local charity venues.

I would like to add that when I joined the first course I was at a very low ebb in my life. My wife had contracted dementia, and I had been caring for her for several years, when she finally passed I was alone and quite depressed but joining the ukulele class, making new friends, learning new songs, chords etc. gave me a new purpose in life. I thank you for doing what you do. It may not seem like it to you, but you have been a positive influence on me when times were hard. Many, many thanks Matthew.

Learner 3

Since learning to play the ukulele and joining the group in the library I feel my confidence has grown. I would never have thought 3 years ago I could get on stage and play and sing with all the others, not that I am a great singer or play the ukulele very well but I do really enjoy it and I have made some smashing friends. Also, last year my sister died and my 'uke family' were all so kind and it was good to be able to go to the library and for a couple of hours switch off,



concentrate on playing and it makes you feel so good singing with a group. I really don't know what I would do without the group now.

Learner 4

I feel privileged to be able to participate in playing my ukulele with a group at my local library. Fun, laughter, learning and being with like-minded people leaves me with happy well-being feelings and I always look forward to the next friendly weekly sessions.

Learner 4

The ukulele session at the library is a session which I enjoy. It allows me to socialise and enjoy playing the ukelele. A person who had never played a musical instrument throughout my life This later in life is a big achievement for me.

Learner 5

I would like to say since attending and completing your ukulele beginners course at Havant library it has given me big boost in my mood and wellbeing, and upon your suggestion to join the Hayling Island library Ukulele group. I am really happy in the ukulele group and feel am improving each visit even playing in couple of live gigs which was amazing experience for me.

Learner 6

It has been a true joy to learn how to play the ukulele at the later stage of my life and belong to a group of people who share this journey. Having learnt the basics at my local library I have since joined another ukulele group and now venture out twice a week to play at local venues. I find the company of others enjoyable and have formed friendships which support my mental well-being and new lifestyle. I would recommend playing the ukulele to keep one's mind sharp and to increase one's social life.

Learner 7

I have just completed the ukelele course for beginners at Havant Library, and I have to say that it was a most enjoyable experience and I would thoroughly recommend it to anyone!

I found the course invaluable as I suffer with Parkinson's disease and at times feel very low, tired, and very fed up! However Matt helped me with his kindness and love of his subject.

Learner 8

I would like to take the opportunity to thank Matt who brightens up my granddaughter's day every Wednesday, her face lights up every time she sees Matt and listens to him sing and play the ukulele.



Learner 9

My husband died about nine months ago and I have been very low. I have not felt able to leave the house. I saw this ukulele course and I thought 'why not?'. Since taking the beginners course at Hayling Library, I am feeling much lighter and have more confidence to go out and enjoy life again.

Learner 10

Learning the ukulele with you has changed my life. My wife has dementia, and I have been able to play music for her which she enjoys dancing to. I have also met people on the course and they have become good friends.

Learner 11

We have been meeting at ----- house to practise and this is one of our week's efforts (an audio recording was attached). We tried some Xmas songs, and kazoos. has brought himself a music stand. He and his wife sent a birthday greeting by video to a cousin. It's given them, and me, a new lease of life. We laughed and played ukulele for an hour and a half. Did you know that is 92?

Learner 12

Since joining the library ukulele group I have learned to play the ukulele at beginner's stage and steadily progressed. Being a member of this group has enhanced my life in a lot of ways. It has allowed me to gain a circle of friends which I never had before. It has brightened my whole well-being and boosted my confidence. Being physical and vocal has played a big part in brightening my day. I always come away from a group session feeling happy. I think it is a tonic that every senior person should experience.

Learner 13

I've enjoyed the ukulele course very much. Matthew is a very patient teacher, and I've made new friends amongst the group. It has reignited my love of music and has the added benefit of keeping my brain active. It has been a very positive experience so I would like to thank Hampshire Achieves for funding this course.

Learner 14

Joining the ukulele beginner's lessons at the local library was one of the best decisions I have ever made! I have thoroughly enjoyed learning a new instrument, Matthew is a brilliant teacher, and some of the people I have met there have become friends for life. We loved it so much that we went on to join the Improvers course. I still play songs from those lesson booklets now when I practise at home and refer back to the chords and strumming patterns whenever needed. Would absolutely recommend the library ukulele lessons to everyone.



If the learner would like to add any additional information, comments or feedback about the **impact** that the course had on them, please use the section below:

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