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EXCITING NEW WORK EXPERIENCE OPPORTUNITY

SkillsActive and the Nancy Ovens Trust are delighted to be able to offer an exciting new bursary for a lucky individual.

The bursary of up to £2,500, sponsored by SkillsActive and awarded by the Nancy Ovens Trust, will be aimed at paid or voluntary coaches and leaders who work with children and young people in the active leisure and learning sector. The bursary will be awarded to a coach or leader to allow them to enhance their own skills and knowledge by taking part in studies, work experience or activities outside of their community.

Applications must be submitted by 21, April 2006. To apply and find out more visit: www.skillsactive.com/nancyovensbursary, email: nancyovensbursary@skillsactive.com or call 020 7632 2000.

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NOTES TO EDITORS

1. SkillsActive is the Sector Skills Council (SSC) for Sport and Recreation, Health and Fitness, Playwork, The Outdoors and the Caravan industries.
2. SkillsActive's mission statement is: "To ensure best quality, best business and best value within the Sector to achieve its economic and social potential."
3. SSCs are employer-led organisations that aim to tackle the skills and productivity needs of their sector throughout the UK. SSCs provide employers with the opportunity to provide leadership to meet their sector's skills and business needs. In return they receive substantial public investment and greater dialogue with government departments across the UK.
4. For more information about SkillsActive, please visit our website @ www.skillsactive.com
5. SkillsActive is currently developing a Sector Skills Agreement for the Active Leisure and Learning Sector which will define the Sector's skills needs and ultimately form an agreement between employers, Government and funding partners to shape the workforce for the next ten years.