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LUTON'S award-winning Mitalee Youth Association has scored a big hit with its latest project – a short documentary and film deglamourising drugs.

The Bad Runner was commissioned by the London borough of Tower Hamlets' community safety service and was created and produced by members of the association.

In addition to the visual element, there is also a resource pack containing four structured lessons which will be available to schools and youth clubs.

The target group is Years 5 to 13, youngsters aged between 10 and 19. The Mitalee team be-

The Mitalee team behind The Bad Runner researched the project and interviewed ex-users, dealers and agencies set up to help young people who become addicted. They also wrote, directed and starred in a fictional ac-



BIG HIT: Some of the Mitalee Youth Association team.

count of the consequences of drug dealing and addiction in an Asian family.

Bad Runner was launched at an awards and presentation ceremony at the Hightown Community Arts and Sports Centre

on Tuesday when Luton's mayor Councillor Mohammed Riaz, presented members of the production team and cast with commemorative plaques.

Co-ordinator Jen Sutherland said it had been

a big learning curve covering everything from camera handling to script writing.

If you'd like a copy of the resource pack, just call 01582 731400 or email mitall@totalise.co.uk

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