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EM IEP Support Team Vacancy

Communications and Information Officer

Salary: £31,606 - £35,852

- Would you like to provide valuable support to the 46 councils and 5 Fire & Rescue authorities in the East Midlands region?
- Would you like to stretch your abilities to meet your full potential?

Working as the EM IEP Support Team's Communication and Information Officer could enable you to meet these challenges.

Nottinghamshire County Council is the host authority for the East Midlands Improvement and Efficiency Partnership Support Team. The post of EM IEP Communications and Information Officer will be advertised on the Nottinghamshire County Council website from 15th September 2008 with a closing date of 15th October 2008.

<http://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/home/jobs.htm>

Please refer to the following web page address for background information on the EM IEP www.eastmidlandsiep.gov.uk

Please contact Heather Parker **0115 9773492**
heather.parker@nottsc.gov.uk for further information.



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East Midlands Improvement and Efficiency Partnership

The EM IEP aims to bring lasting improvements to our area and has a budget of £20 million over the next three years to do exactly that. It will help forge closer relationships between East Midland authorities, there are 46 councils and five fire and rescue authorities involved, to help them challenge and support one another on their 'improvement journeys'. Other local government organisations, such as the Audit Commission, Government Office East Midlands and the Improvement and Development Agency, will also play an important role.

A leaflet has been published by the EM IEP that is intended to give you an idea of the kind of work that will be carried out by the newly formed East Midlands Improvement and Efficiency Partnership (EM IEP). The leaflet has been distributed to all 46 councils and 5 fire & rescue authorities across the EM and is also available to download from the EM IEP website.

www.eastmidlandsiep.gov.uk/about_us.htm





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Council committed to young people

West Lindsey District Council is amongst the first to take part in Positive About Young People – a new quality standard which recognises employers' commitment to young people at work.

Chairman of the Organisation and Resources Committee, Coun Sue Rawlins said: "One of the biggest challenges facing West Lindsey District Council is how to successfully maintain our workforce in order to meet the demands of the community. Doing this also gives us an opportunity to provide jobs for young people from the local area who have finished school, college or are returning from university elsewhere.

Positive About Young People has been developed in partnership with Lincolnshire County Council's Children's Service Directorate and it examines policy and practice in employment, experience of work and awareness of opportunity. Leader of the Council, Coun Bernard Theobald said: "The programme is being pioneered in Lincolnshire and Rutland and West Lindsey is amongst the first to support young people to be healthy, safe, active and make a positive contribution."

Laura De Vita, HR Advisor, is co-ordinating West Lindsey's involvement and she said the scheme gave the Council the opportunity to reflect on its current position and to make decisions on how to move forward as one of the largest employers in the area.

For more information contact Geoff O'Neill on (01205) 360757



Positive About Young People: Meredith Teasdale, Head of Service, Children's Services West Lindsey, from Lincolnshire County Council (second left) presents the award certificate to Coun Irmgard Parrott watched by Laura De Vita, HR West Lindsey District Council and Director of Strategy and Regeneration, Rachel North.



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Landfill Allowance Trading Scheme (LATS) Market

The Regional Improvement & Efficiency Partnerships (RIEPs), led by Improvement Efficiency South East (IESE), will be setting up a LATS market place this summer. There will be a formal advert placed for providers of a market place that can deliver confidentiality, contractual security, a 'level playing field' for all involved and fixed transaction fees. It has been suggested that fortnightly electronic auctions for defined allowance vintages might be the best initial mechanism for establishing transaction price transparency.

The specific aims of the LATS market place are to:

1. Facilitate the transaction of landfill allowances. Save time spent on price and volume discovery and administration.
2. Provide commonly agreed simple standardised contracts for transactions and enforce their performance.
3. Provide transaction based price transparency.
4. Identify potential market abuse and notify DEFRA and/or EA if appropriate.
5. Submit transaction information to the register.
6. Verify transaction validity with the register and DEFRA.

7. Provide settlement and delivery services – a clearing house.

8. Provide good quality market information to ensure that all market participants have equal knowledge on which to make decisions.

9. Provide a 'level playing field' for all, large and small, participants in the market.

10. Allow buyers and sellers to buy or sell into the best available price at any pre-agreed time.

11. Maximise transaction efficiency and minimise transaction time.

IESE will work closely with DEFRA, the EA and the LGA to provide a valuable service to Local Authorities.

Latest LATS Newsletter

The LATS team at Defra have produced a second newsletter for local authorities on LATS. The latest newsletter includes information on data reporting; the LATS market, EA audits, Review of Municipal Waste Composition and Revision of MBT Guidance. This newsletter is available to download now on WIN. Go to <http://www.win.org.uk/WIN%20bulletin.aspx>



Information

Reducing costs and carbon emissions from your vehicle fleet

This page from the Department for Transport identifies the free guidance, training, information, services and funding available to help organisations identify where costs and CO2 can be lowered.

<http://www.dft.gov.uk/pgr/sustainable/businessrelatedtransport>

Green Cone Food Digester Trial

Charnwood Borough Council have produced an evaluation report (Jan 08) on the Green Cone Food Digester Trial which involved a local trial to investigate how food digesters could reduce bio-degradable household waste.

Go to:

<http://www.win.org.uk/userfiles/File/Green/%20Cone%20Low%20Res.pdf>

Latest consultation on CAA

The Audit Commission has published its latest consultation on CAA - the inspection regime that will replace Comprehensive Performance Assessment (CPA). This consultation contains significant new detail and will be of critical interest to all local authorities and their partners.

More of this briefing at:

<http://www.lgiu.gov.uk/briefing-detail.jsp?&id=1953&md=0§ion=briefing>





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IT Power Management- Saving energy and costs on computer use

Leaving computers and monitors on during non-working hours wastes both energy and increases carbon emissions. The most cost-effective solution is for individual users to ensure that they switch off both the computer (PC) and monitor during non-working hours. However the National Energy Foundation (NEF) indicated that around 20-30% of users do not switch off computers during non-working hours.

For further information go to:

<http://www.eastmidlandsiep.gov.uk/publications.htm#Procurement>



Office of Government Commerce

Joint Waste Authorities – Summary of consultation responses published

Defra has published a summary of responses to its recent consultation on draft Regulations and draft Guidance for establishing Joint Waste Authorities (JWAs) in England.

The option of JWAs was sought by local authorities to help deliver a more efficient and sustainable waste management service and to provide a legal framework for joint waste working arrangements.

In light of comments, Defra will consider expanding some areas of the draft guidance to provide more detail about the information that should be included in a proposal for a JWA.

Visit:

<http://www.defra.gov.uk>



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Commissioning substance misuse and family support services (Staffordshire)

This case study describes how Staffordshire County DAAT Partnership re-commissioned their young people's substance misuse service in 2006–07 and how they addressed the various elements of the planning and commissioning cycle.

In particular the case study focuses on stakeholders' involvement in service design and how competitive tendering was used to capture innovative working models e.g. new pathways to post care support and novel treatment approaches. A three-stage procurement model was adopted (outlined in 'Processes and Steps'), which made sure that procurement standards were followed, whilst enabling commissioners to draw on the expertise of stakeholders and providers to shape the service specification.

Benefits from the commissioned services include a new enhanced family support service, increased access to Tier 2 and 3 substance misuse services, financial efficiency savings and substantial improvements in performance.

Two key learning points from this case study are that commissioning takes time and commitment from all involved and that it is crucial to have strong involvement from all stakeholders (in particular young people) in scoping and securing services that are able to meet need. In Staffordshire's experience this time commitment was more than rewarded by the results and improved outcomes for young people.

For more information go to:

<http://www.eastmidlandsiep.gov.uk/publications.htm#CareCommissioning>





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Supporting students and providing new employees for Regulatory Services

The recent Audit Commission report Tomorrow's People : Building a Local Government Workforce outlined a current and looming staffing crisis in several local government key service areas, including the regulatory services. The report calls on local authorities to address workforce planning and take positive steps to attract and develop new talent within the workforce. Responding to this, LACORS, the IDeA, CIEH/REHIS and TSI have created a guideline document covering initiatives and actions, illustrated by real case studies, for providing student EH & TS placements.

Report is available to download from:

www.audit-commission.gov.uk/reports/NATIONAL-REPORT.asp?CategoryID=&ProdID=DB2DAF5B-EC45-463b-8D0D-B535EDE28A80

Tomorrow's people: Building a local government workforce for the future

This Audit Commission report looks at the recruitment and retention pressures currently facing councils in the light of demographic and other changes. It assesses the potential risks to key services of councils failing to properly plan their workforces and it evaluates the progress councils have made. The report contains case studies of good recruitment and retention practice to help other councils improve their own workforce strategies.

Download here: <http://www.audit-commission.gov.uk>





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Councillors Guide to Creating Quality Public Spaces

Councils around England have been encouraged to learn from the councils in Nottinghamshire who have proven their success in keeping their neighbourhoods tidy, in a new government guide from the government and the Local Government Association published today. Eight Nottinghamshire councils have driven down their waste collection costs by nearly £150,000 a year for local taxpayers by deciding to buy refuse collection vehicles together – increasing their bargaining power and getting more for their money. In total, the deal landed them 27 refuse trucks with a saving over £4,000 per vehicle. The eight councils set up a dedicated project team and created a single common specification for RGVs so they could go to the market together.

Nottingham City Council has gone even further, tackling problems with littering, fly-posting and untidy gardens in student areas by working with student unions, universities and landlords to raise awareness about their responsibilities. An education programme starts at the beginning of fresher's week in October, and the first of three annual clean-ups takes place in November involving waste management, street scene teams and student volunteers.

Today's guide showcases this initiative and the community driving it as one of England's best and innovative efforts to clean up the streets, improve public services, and enable councils to make efficiency savings. It aims to help make local councillors better 'community champions' with helpful tips on creating better places and delivering the improvements in public spaces that local people want.

The guide also showcases worthwhile initiatives including:

- Resident tip-offs to reduce fly-tipping
- Tidy trader schemes to cut business waste
- Councils' e-auction slashes a million pounds off wheelie bins
- Reporting graffiti snapped on mobile phones

For more information about priorities in your area, please visit: www.communities.gov.uk/documents/communities/pdf/915722.pdf





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Improvement Network: Working in partnership to deliver better outcomes for local people

A new version of the Improvement Network partnership website has been launched by its sponsors: the Audit Commission, CIPFA, IDeA, and the Leadership Centre for Local Government. It aims to help lay the foundations for successful partnership working in local areas, build capacity for public sector managers and practitioners, promote its sponsors' collective knowledge and expertise on key improvement issues and provide practical examples of cross-sector improvement.

In the last two years, the number of those registered to the Improvement Tools section has increased to more than 6,000 managers and practitioners, working in the health service, police and local government. The site will be developed to address the partnership agenda and to promote a unique cross-sector approach to improvement issues. Please register for free access to the site's Improvement Tools to help support your management needs at:

www.improvementnetwork.gov.uk/tools

If you have any comments or queries about the Improvement Network, please contact Natasha Gray at natasha-gray@audit-commission.gov.uk

Transformational Government Annual Report 2007

The Government launched its second report on Transformational Government – our progress in 2007 showing where Government has made progress towards designing and delivering public services around the needs of the citizen.

Go to: <http://www.cio.gov.uk>



Chief Information Officer Council

Adult Social Care- 'Communities – healthy, strong and prosperous'

This new IDeA publication provides a compelling narrative on the future direction of adult social care services. It identifies the key issues for councils in making connections between engagement, local area agreements and community strategies. Read it and find out how to produce better outcomes for users and citizens alike.

www.eastmidlandsiep.gov.uk/publications.htm#LAA



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Principles of Representation: A framework for effective third sector participation in Local Strategic Partnerships

This document is a framework to assist the third sector to determine how best to organise its involvement in the local strategic partnership (LSP) based on the experiences of others. It will help LSPs to decide how they might support effective third sector involvement. It should also enable all parties to reach an understanding of what they might contribute to the development of an inclusive approach that will widen and deepen the involvement of local third sector groups and through them empower local communities to exert appropriate influence over local decision-making.

Go to:

<http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/communities/principleofrepresentation>



14-19 Strategy Health Check

In partnership with the LGA and the Learning and Skills Council, the IDeA has published a 14-19 strategy health check – a checklist to help 14-19 partnerships evaluate progress. The health check is a must-read for all those involved in 14-19 partnerships at a strategic level.

Go to:

<http://www.idea.gov.uk/idk/core/page.do?pagelId=8694652>





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Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) Webpages

A website dedicated to Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) was launched today on the Department of Health website at www.dh.gov.uk/jsna.

It includes a new core dataset which provides a list of indicators that can assist partners in preparing their JSNA, with key information on each indicator, and offers readers the chance to choose specific levels of detail.

The website:

- Gives brief background information on JSNA
- Pulls together existing information and documents on JSNA
- Provides tools and resources to support the implementation of JSNA
- Offers links to other websites related to policy and guidance.

This website means that information on Joint Strategic Needs Assessment will be now be more easily accessible. It should be disseminated to anyone who is involved in the ongoing JSNA process.

Brand new eDemocracy e-learning course

Learning Pool has recently updated their eDemocracy and community engagement course to reflect the recent changes in local government.

This e-learning course provides an overview of eDemocracy and how it can be delivered. It also outlines the challenges and benefits to implementing such a strategy and how to make a case for using eDemocracy. The course is graphically rich and engaging with lots of interactivity and is designed for all local authorities and public sector organisations.

The online course is available to Learning Pool subscribers through the core catalogue. If you aren't yet a Learning Pool subscriber and would like to view the eDemocracy course for free you can apply online

Go to:

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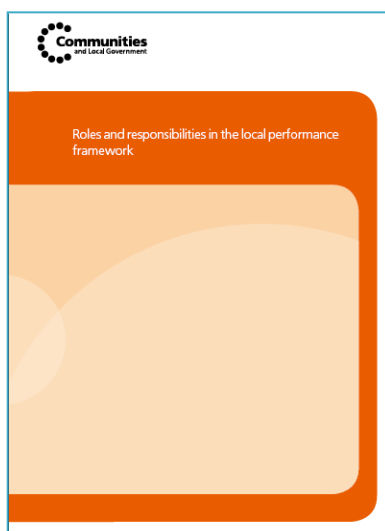


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Roles and responsibilities in the local performance framework

The purpose of this note is to support you in making the most of the new local performance framework and signpost key guidance and other documents that have recently been published. This note is not statutory or technical guidance and does not replace published or consultation documents.

<http://www.eastmidlandsiep.gov.uk/publications.htm#EfficiencyReview>



Workforce Development – Making the Connections

The West Midlands Regional Improvement & Efficiency Partnership will be hosting its third shared learning event which will showcase some of the many Capacity Building projects that the WMRIEP have facilitated over the last two years. The Workforce Development – Making the Connections event will take place on 8 September 2008 at Aston University, Birmingham. All the projects at this event are being delivered in the West Midlands Region and, using various approaches, are dealing with the difficult subject of managing the development of people that are in a constantly changing workforce environment. Cllr Norman Davies, of Solihull MBC, will Chair the event with Joan Munro, National Advisor Workforce Strategy for IDeA, providing the keynote speech. Colin Williams, Director Local Government Services, will provide delegates with a regional perspective and explain the role of the WMRIEP.

If you would like to register for this key regional event visit the WMRIEP website:

<http://www.wmcoe.gov.uk/>



Event

Climate change workshop

Thursday 9th October

Walkers Stadium, Filbert Way, Leicester LE2 7FL

9.15am till 1pm

Free event lunch provided

Objectives

- To inform the development of a programme focused on the Climate Change National Indicators, utilising the £260k funding allocated to the EM IEP in the East Midlands region
- To identify areas of good practice and build upon existing plans to help prioritise actions in support of local authorities and their partners.

Target audience

Interested Members, policy officers and those with responsibilities for Climate Change in local government in the East Midlands. We hope that representatives from councils of all sizes will be represented.

Facilitator

The workshop will be facilitated by Steve Waller, IDeA's Sustainability Advisor, who is the national lead on the Climate Change programme.

Why you should attend?

We are all under pressure to improve and deliver more efficient ways of working. We are trying to do this alongside competing agendas for scarce resources, and collaboration on regional or sub regional initiatives can help us deliver our own authority's objectives. This workshop is your opportunity to help inform and shape the regional programme.

Please email :

lois.dale@nottsc.gov.uk to register your attendance, and go to www.eastmidlandsiep.gov.uk/events to view the agenda.

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GovNet Communications are holding a major conference on Green IT, with talks from Malcolm Wicks, the Energy Minister, along with other high-profile speakers and suppliers.

The following is an extract from their website, describing the conference: "As the Government becomes the biggest user of ICT in the UK - spending around £12 billion a year - Government IT Goes Green will take a comprehensive look at the challenges and opportunities for public sector organisations looking to take a more responsible approach to the environment. The event will pull together the key areas of transformational government and sustainable IT management, and will focus on critical issues including energy efficiency, the increased uptake of mobile working, best value and sustainable procurement practice and the recycling and re-use of electrical equipment.

This is a must attend event for "Green Leaders" looking to create and implement an effective green IT strategy.

Offering an array of case studies, an exceptional line up of speakers from organisations including the Department for Work and Pensions and the Environment Agency, and an unparalleled exhibition of over 20 industry providers, Government IT Goes Green is the only place where you can learn more about the steps required to enable your organisation to go green."

The event is on Tuesday 16th September in London. Further information is available on GovNet's website:

www.govnet.co.uk/greenit/



Event

A national conference on Participatory Budgeting (PB) and its role in community empowerment

Monday 15th September 2008

Midland Hotel, Manchester

Organised by the Participatory Budgeting Unit
and supported by Communities and Local Government

Objectives

This one-day conference will explore the ways in which PB can be used as a powerful tool to engage citizens in decision-making in a range of budgetary contexts across different areas of public spending.

It will:

- Explore the opportunities for using PB on devolved mainstream budgets and annual budget consultations
- Set out the policy context in which PB is developing, particularly the 'duty to involve'
- Showcase the range of PB pilots that have already been developed across the country
- Look at the first examples of using PB in the contexts of health and policing
- Look at how PB can be a useful tool in Local Strategic Partnership decision making and the development of Local Area Agreement

- Highlight the opportunities and challenges involved in using PB across the different tiers of local government and other local public agencies.

Who should attend?

The conference is for everyone who is likely to be involved in developing PB projects and those already involved including elected members, local government officers, those working for primary care trusts, police forces, housing associations and those working in the community and voluntary sector. It will be relevant for both those new to participatory budgeting and those familiar with PB including Chief Executives, departmental heads, policy staff, community engagement practitioners, finance officers, elected representatives, PB practitioners, leaders of the voluntary and community sectors and local residents.

Tel: 0161 236 9321

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Email: mail@participatorybudgeting.org.uk



Event

Transforming HR- Working Together To Overcome The Challenges

**Wednesday 1st October 2008,
Pera, Melton Mowbray, Leicestershire LE13 0PB**

Background

The Human Resources function in local government must change if it is to be in the best position to support Councils as they face up to the challenge of delivering more with fewer resources. HR must change its approach, its relationship with the organisations it serves and, potentially its structure if it is to rise to the challenge. This reflects the way HR is adapting across all other sectors. The Public Sector People Manager's Association has recognised that it has a role to play in supporting HR Managers as they seek to rise to the challenge and has set up an HR Transformation Network, which is developing some practical tools to give that support. EM IEP is working with all local authorities to identify opportunities for more efficient and effective working, in people management as in all areas of local government activity. EM IEP have come together with the PPMA to run this event, which will explore the way in which HR people in the East Midlands can work together to change HR and the way that it operates and ensure our organisations can improve and be more efficient.

Target audience

All HR Managers in local government in the East Midlands. We hope that representatives from Council's of all sizes will attend.

Why you should attend

We are all under pressure to improve and deliver more efficient ways of working. We are trying to do this alongside the challenge of dealing with the day-to-day workload of payroll, performance issues and housekeeping. This event will give an opportunity to look at some of the real strategic challenges and how the HR community in the East Midlands might work collectively to overcome them. Through a mix of speakers and workshop activities this is an opportunity for both personal development and for learning which can be directly applied to improve your organisations.

Please email :

lois.dale@nottsc.gov.uk to register your attendance, and

go to **www.eastmidlandsiep.gov.uk/events** to view the agenda.



Event

FREE training – Business Improvement

We've already saved a lot of time and money

You could feel the buzz...it was amazing

The trainers were great, really helpful

These are just a few of the quotes from people who have completed the **FREE Business Improvement training**, available to all local authorities in the region. The East Midlands IEP is supporting the programme to help build capacity within organisations, a vital theme of both the National Improvement and Efficiency Strategy and the Comprehensive Spending Review.

The programme has been developed in collaboration with NA Consulting, a professional training organisation, working alongside regional colleges. Participants work together in teams of 10 to carry out a short, '**real-world**' **improvement project** within their authority, bringing tangible organisational benefits as well as individual development.

The training is fully funded so there is **no cost to participating authorities** - other than staff time, at approximately 6 days per person, spread over 12-16 weeks. The training is carried out entirely in the workplace, and leads to an NVQ level 2 in Business Improvement Techniques.

In the East Midlands over 80 staff have completed the training and a further 130 are currently on the programme, from eleven local authorities - Derbyshire County Council, Northamptonshire Police, Mansfield DC, North West Leicestershire DC, Newark & Sherwood DC, Nottingham City Council, Wellingborough BC, East Northamptonshire DC, Daventry DC, Broxtowe BC and North Kesteven DC. Several other authorities are in advanced discussions, adding further momentum to the programme.

Places on the training programme are limited, given the funding allocation, so if you or your authority would like to take advantage of this offer, please contact Merlin Tinker in the first instance.

Merlin Tinker, Programme Manager at EM IEP

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ICT showcase – Green IT

Tuesday 28th October, 9.30 – 13.00
Pera, Melton Mowbray, Leicestershire, LE13 0PB

Background

Local authorities are looking to reduce their environmental impact, and IT can help. From server consolidation to remote working, new technologies and new ways of working can help to save the planet as well as saving money.

To provide some practical advice about Green IT, we're holding an 'ICT Showcase' workshop, the second in a new series of workshops, designed to bring good people and good ideas together.

In this workshop, Steve Grant will describe how Peterborough have rationalised their servers amongst other measures to save both energy and money. Warwick Andrew will talk about the green steps that have been taken at Chesterfield and the changes to behaviour that have been brought about. Two speakers from OGC will describe the framework agreements and eAuctions, covering the energy-saving hardware and software that is helping to make IT more energy

efficient. Fred Shaw will talk about Birmingham's scheme to recycle old PCs and benefit the community at the same time.

Whether you've already made changes or are just about to develop a green IT strategy, this is a great opportunity to share experiences and get some practical guidance.

Target audience

ICT managers from local authorities across the East Midlands, as well as green champions interested in the contribution that IT can make to energy savings.

Why you should attend

Leading local authorities have reduced their energy bills and their carbon footprint by implementing a wide range of green IT measures. Some are simple changes that are easy to implement, others are complex projects that take months. This is a chance to hear what has worked, and to get ideas for what might make a difference at your own authority.

If you would like to attend, please email Lois Dale from the East Midlands IEP –

lois.dale@nottsc.gov.uk



Event

Free event – Using customer intelligence

The National Process Improvement Project (NPIP) is holding two free, one day events led by Colin Whitehouse, Senior Advisor to the Department for Communities and Local Government, who will demonstrate practical examples of how Local Authorities can use customer intelligence to drive forward their service transformation agendas. The events will be held at:

- Chorley – 9.30 am Thursday 2nd October 2008 - Chorley Town Hall
- London – 9.30 am Wednesday 8th October 2008 - Kensington and Chelsea Town Hall

Learn how:

- Using the four NPIP building blocks, together with Pathfinder Local Authorities' top tips, you can help make your service improvement initiative a success
- Chorley Council's 'Circle of Needs' analysis is leading to multi-agency, citizen-centric service delivery
- The London Borough of Lewisham is putting customers at the heart of its transformation strategy
- Manchester's 'Hot House' approach uses customer insight to shape channel strategies

•Chorley, Tameside and Staffordshire Moorlands got awarded Beacon status and hear their future plans for a continued, successful transformation.

Who should attend?

Local Authorities and other public sector bodies committed to engaging with citizens, improving service delivery or managing business process-led organisational change.

About NPIP:

The National Process Improvement Project (NPIP) was established in October 2006 to examine how Business Process Improvement (BPI) tools and techniques could improve service delivery and drive efficiency. The experiences of the Pathfinder Local Authorities showed that a thorough understanding of citizens' needs was as important to success as the analysis of current delivery practices.

Register for your free place at:
www.govevents.co.uk/npip/bpi





EU Legislation Workshops

9.30 on Monday 6 October and Monday 24 November at Shoosmiths, Nottingham

In coordination with Shoosmiths the EM IEP are facilitating a series of half day workshops on topical issues surrounding EU legislation.

Who should attend?

The events are open to all those Procurement and Legal professionals who already have an understanding of EU legislation and who want to keep up to date with recent developments.

Objectives

The first workshop will include the topics : competitive dialogue, award criteria, and remedies. The second will focus on Social Clauses - what you can and cannot include.

Numbers for each workshop are limited to 20 places to enable audience participation and for the presenters to respond to individual questions. For further information and to reserve your place please email Lois.dale@nottscc.gov.uk.

Contact Details and Useful Websites



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Websites

East Midlands Improvement & Efficiency Partnership

www.eastmidlandsiep.gov.uk

EM Procurement Hub (Password Protected)

<http://secure.emce.gov.uk/procurement/index.htm>

Sustainable Procurement Information Network (SPIN)

www.s-p-i-n.co.uk

Source East Midlands Contract Portal

www.sourceeastmidlands.co.uk

Procurement Connection Online Toolkit

www.procurementconnection.co.uk

East Midlands Law Share Partnership (EM LawShare)

www.emlawshare.co.uk

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