



# Skills & Employment Community of Practice LSBU, Croydon

February 2024: 9.30-12.00



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# Agenda



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What?	When?	Who?
1. Arrival and Refreshments	9.30 – 9.45	All
2. Welcome & Introductions	9.45 – 9.55	Polly Persechino
3. South London Partnership Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No Wrong Door: Skills &amp; Employment Guide</li> <li>• Retrofit Skills Centre</li> <li>• Integrated Care Partnership Workforce Programme</li> <li>• UKSPF People &amp; Skills</li> </ul>	9.55 – 10.20	Polly Persechino
4. Start Up Croydon	10.20 – 10.40	Geoff Ransom
5. Networking	10.40 – 11.15	Everyone
6. Elevator Pitches	11.15 – 11.30	3 Organisations
7. Wrap Up!	11.30 – 12	Polly Persechino

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# Welcome!



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Why?

- Networking
- Good practice
- Knowledge

You said...

- You wanted an in person event
- You wanted more networking
- You wanted details of providers and provision

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Thank you to our hosts and sponsors, LSBU Croydon

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# South London Partnership

The South London Partnership is a sub-regional collaboration of five London boroughs: Croydon, Kingston upon Thames, Merton, Richmond upon Thames and Sutton.



## Our vision

**South London Partnership is committed to securing a skills system that:**

- equips our young people and all our residents with relevant skills, versatility, adaptability and resilience to secure sustainable employment and support their wider wellbeing throughout their lives, and
- supports the growth and productivity of the sub-regional economy, ensuring that existing and future employers can access a ready pool of suitably qualified, resilient workers and can secure learning and training to support their workforce and business development.

## Our priorities

- Support all residents towards or into work and to progress through their career
- Increase employer participation and investment in skills
- Align the skills offer to our growth and strategic sectors

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## South London Partnership Programmes

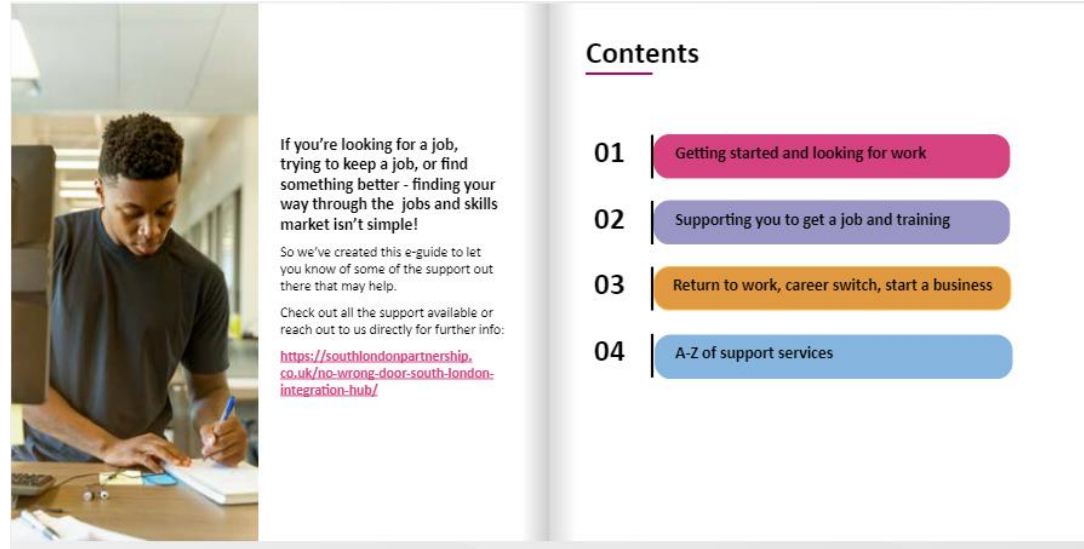


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# New tool for residents and practitioners



## Contents

- 01 Getting started and looking for work
- 02 Supporting you to get a job and training
- 03 Return to work, career switch, start a business
- 04 A-Z of support services

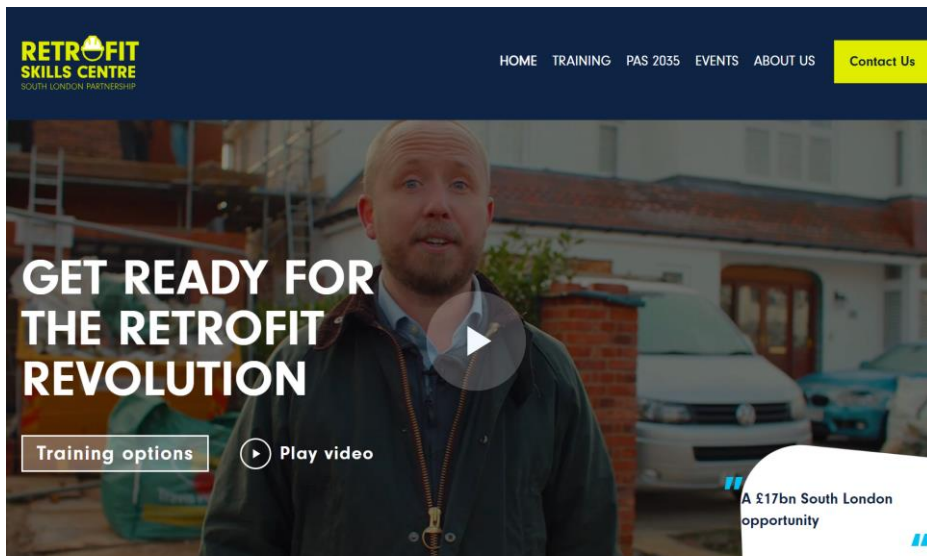
Trying to make the system easier to access - [here](#)

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# Retrofit Skills Challenge

[www.retrofitskills.org](http://www.retrofitskills.org)



A retrofit skills plan has been submitted to DESNZ for south London, as part of the skills plan for Greater South East.

We will be delivering:

- Comms campaign to 13,000 companies
- Free retrofit skills training
- Event for business and the new talent pipeline



We are committed to supporting the London goal of reaching Net Zero by 2030



We are committed to creating a high-value skilled green jobs sector contributing to a stronger sustainable economy that benefits us all



We are committed to the decarbonisation of over half a millions homes

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# Other Programmes

## Health & Social Care Workforce

- £4m investment in work force development programmes
- 12 successful programmes focused on support the recruitment and retention of staff in Health and Care
- Launch event on 26<sup>th</sup> March

## UKSPF People and Skills

- £2.92m to deliver employment and skills support to unemployed and economically inactive Londoners
- A majority delivered by borough partners
- Live procurement for SLP programme, closes 25<sup>th</sup> March

### Watch This space:

1. Wave 5 Bootcamps
2. Universal Support
3. WorkWell Partnerships

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# Skills and Employment Champion

- Through the Local Skills Improvement Plan, we are developing a concordat and Skills and Employment Champion programme
  - who would like to be part of this short development work?



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# Start Up Croydon

Geoff Ranson

Projects Manager

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# Networking

On your name stickers you will have numbers and letters.

We'll let you know after 15 minutes when it's time to change groups and meet some new people.

Not wanting to teach you how to suck eggs....

What is your name?

Where do you work?

Who do you help?

How could you work together?



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# Elevator Pitches

- Showcasing local provision
- 3 organisations
- 5 minutes
- What you do, people you support, how you would like to work with the room, foundations for your future success

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# Wrap Up

Please can you take the last few minutes to complete the following poll or add comments in the chat

<https://forms.office.com/e/mXGkKZX4SB>

- What did you like (or not)?
- What do you want more of?

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# Wrap Up

## A single point of contact directory

- How would you like us to share your contacts
- How can we connect you to each other
- How would you like us to share your information with beneficiaries

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# Please do get in touch

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