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BusinessLDN – LSIP Public Consultation

As part of the South London annex of the Local Skills Improvement Plan, BusinessLDN is hosting the final public consultation to receive input from local stakeholders. Employers are especially encouraged to attend as your firsthand experience of workforce needs is essential to shaping effective, future-focused recommendations. Your input will influence training priorities, strengthen collaboration, and drive economic growth for the region.

Event details:

- Tuesday 24th March
- Registration – 15:30
- Main event – 16:00-17:30
- Post-event Networking – 17:30-18:00

Location: Portland Hall (4-12 Little Titchfield St, London, England, W1W 7BY)

Hosted by University of Westminster

To accept the invitation, RSVP to events@businessldn.co.uk.

Please put 'A skills system working for employers - Seeking your views on the new Local Skills Improvement Plan for London' in the subject line and include your full name, email, organisation, job title and any dietary requirements in the email.



Construction & Green Skills Job Fair

Explore career opportunities in West London's growing green skills and construction sectors! Connect with employers who are actively hiring and discover training courses from local colleges to help you build a successful career. It's FREE to attend! Pre-registration required.

By attending, you'll be able to:

- **Meet local employers:** Find real opportunities with leading companies in West London
- **Discuss your career path:** Get advice on building your future in green skills and construction
- **Attend presentations on what employers look for:** Improve your CV, job applications and interview skills.

Date: Thursday 12th March 2026

Time: 10:00am – 2:00pm

Venue: West London Retail Skills Hub Westfield Shopping Centre Level 1 (next to John Lewis) Ariel Way, London W12 7GF

[Register here](#)

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MAYOR OF LONDON

Education Development Trust – AIM Apprenticeship Webinars

The Mayor of London is funding the Education Development Trust to deliver Apprenticeships, Information and Meaningful Encounters. As part of this support, AIM will be delivering a series of webinars focused on sectors that are driving London's growth. Each session will provide an overview of the industry, practical insights from employers, and experiences from recent recruits, helping to make the process of finding an apprenticeship clearer and more accessible.

These webinars will connect young Londoners to real vacancies and provide them with insights to help their applications to stand out. AIM is supporting schools and colleges to provide clear, high-quality careers education so that these opportunities are accessible to all.

If you're a training provider, consider sharing the [AIM webinar series](#) with your students.

If you're an employer and would like to showcase your apprenticeship opportunities, please contact london.careers@london.gov.uk.



DFN Project SEARCH – Supported Internship Programme

DFN Project SEARCH is a 1-year transition-to-work programme for young adults, committed to transforming the lives of young people with learning disabilities and autism.

It has now been running at St George's Hospital for over twelve years and served many young people in that time. The interns complete three rotation placements around the hospital and will experience real-world work within the hospital. These can include Portering, Admin, Reception, The SU Shop, Ingredients Café and many more.

The project is looking for motivated and committed young individuals between the ages of 18-24 with an active ECHP.

If this is you, or you know somebody who would benefit from this opportunity, get in touch by sending an email to matthew.kaye@stgeorges.nhs.uk.

For more information, visit [DFN Project SEARCH - St George's University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust](#).



Onebright & Clarion Futures – Counselling and Therapy

Onebright are an organisation providing counselling and therapy services to adults, children and young people experiencing emotional or psychological challenges.

Clarion Futures is aware of the growing need for therapeutic support, particularly among young people. That's why they are working with Onebright to fund a number of counselling sessions for 16-24-year-olds. This support is aimed at helping young people address challenges such as anxiety or low confidence, enabling them to move forward with their job and training goals with greater confidence and resilience.

At Onebright, their expert therapist will:

- Support you through your personal challenges

- Help you explore your worries
- Enable you to develop practical coping skills
- Build your confidence

If you would like to refer a young person or have any questions about the support available, please contact jobsandtraining@clarionhq.com.



Apprenticeships at Sutton College

Sutton College runs apprenticeships in a variety of sectors.

Please contact Sutton College at apprenticeships@suttoncollege.ac.uk or call 0208 773 5891 for more information on how Sutton College can become your training provider, **or visit the website [here](#)**.

Step Ahead's Economically Inactive Trailblazer

If you would like to make a referral into Step Ahead at Sutton College for any Economically Inactive residents aged 19+ to receive 1-1 employability support, please make a referral using [this](#) link.

Step Ahead – Childcare SWAP

Sutton College is running a SWAP through its [Caring for Children Level 1 Award](#), in partnership with Starfyn Recruitment, who are offering, through the Step Ahead service at Sutton College, a guaranteed interview for participants at the end of the course.

For more information or to enrol, please click [here](#).

Entrepreneur Support with Sutton College

Sutton College is delivering free courses to support people wanting to start their own businesses. The courses will be running in March and a leaflet and QR code to sign up are attached.



Get Ahead South London – Early Careers Academy | LLC

Funded by the GLA through UK Shared Prosperity Funding, [London Learning Consortium](#) has created a unique Careers & Training development programme designed to help young people explore educational opportunities, training programmes, and find work that aligns with their interests.

The programme offers, amongst other things:

- Career guidance
- Skill development workshops
- Support to find post 16 educational courses
- Help with identifying work experience opportunities
- Support networks to help build confidence and get young people back on track towards a fulfilling future.

Find out more about the [Early Careers Academy here.](#)

Apprenticeship and Traineeship Vacancy Reports

The Apprenticeship and Traineeship Vacancy reports have been discontinued. The information provided within the reports is accessible through the [Find an Apprenticeship](#) website.

Recent enhancements have been made to the service to allow advanced searching for live apprenticeship vacancies. You can also register to receive email notifications matching your specified criteria.



Please visit apprenticeships.gov.uk or follow @Apprenticeships on Twitter for further information.



Summer Work Experience at The Institute of Cancer Research

The Institute of Cancer Research is offering summer work experience for students in Year 12 who are interested in pursuing a career in life sciences or scientific research. This work experience will take place at the Centre for Cancer Drug Discovery and the Centre for Cancer Imaging, from 29th June to 3rd July.

This is an exciting opportunity to observe research in the following disciplines:

- Biology
- Biochemistry
- Cancer Imaging technologies
- Computational Biology
- Clinical studies
- Drug Metabolism
- Medicinal/Organic Chemistry
- Structural Biology

Applicants should email their CV and a concise cover letter (under 300 words), explaining why they are the best candidate and their future career ambitions in science to: adminworkexperience@icr.ac.uk.

Applications close on Friday 27th March.



Retrofit Opportunities

Retrofit needs people — and [RetrofitSkills.org](https://www.retrofitskills.org) is here to help.

Whole house retrofit is about more than insulation or heat pumps. It takes a team — from Assessors, Coordinators and Designers to Installers, Evaluators, and Energy Advisors.

[RetrofitSkills.org](https://www.retrofitskills.org) is your go-to directory for exploring these roles, finding training providers, and staying up to date with the latest news and resources.

Go Construct Careers

Whether you're exploring career options, looking for apprenticeships, or learning how to get started in construction, Go Construct Careers has everything you need. And if you're an organisation looking to connect with emerging talent, it's your place to showcase opportunities and inspire the next generation.

From discovering roles that match skills and interests to finding the best routes into the industry through apprenticeships, university courses, or traineeships – Go Construct Careers is here to guide individuals and support employers every step of the way.

Go Construct have created a handy **search engine for construction job opportunities** [here](#) - make sure you type Sutton into the location search box to get local results!



Supply Chain School

Launched in 2012, the Supply Chain Sustainability School is an award-winning FREE virtual learning platform around sustainability, with the aim to upskill those working within, or aspiring to work within, the built environment sector. It services the markets of Construction, FM, Finishes and Interiors, Homes, Infrastructure and Future Workforce across England, Scotland and Wales.

The Supply Chain School has created some helpful training resources, including on the topic of Net Zero - link [here](#).



Crisis' Homelessness Alliance

The Homelessness Alliance is a set of pledges employers take to support people experiencing homelessness in the workplace.

The Alliance was developed by Crisis in partnership with the Department for Work and Pensions and the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities. Leading businesses including Pret A Manger and Thames Water helped draft the Alliance as members of the [advisory board](#). This is alongside those with lived experience of homelessness.

More information can be found [here](#) or contact Vicky Richards at vicky.richards@crisis.org.uk.

CONNECT TO WORK

Funded by **UK Government**

Connect to Work: Transforming Supported Employment for South Londoners Facing Barriers to Work - South London Partnership

Connect to Work is a voluntary programme funded by the UK Government to support disabled people or people with health conditions, and individuals with complex barriers to move into and maintain employment. It will also provide support to people in work but at risk of losing their employment, helping them to retain their jobs.

Connect to Work will be delivered by Ingeus across the boroughs of Croydon, Kingston, Merton, and Sutton, and by Richmond WorkMatch in Richmond and Wandsworth. The service is commissioned by the South London Partnership, and London Borough of Croydon, as the accountable body, on behalf of the Councils.

For further information, please visit <https://southlondonpartnership.co.uk/connect-to-work/>

Trailblazer for South London

Trailblazer for South London is a programme designed to assist individuals in overcoming challenges that may hinder access to employment. These challenges may include personal, health, or social barriers. The programme offers support to help participants take meaningful steps toward entering the workforce.

Referrals can be made by completing the Self-Referral Form [Link](#)

Or by scanning the QR Code



Department for
Science, Innovation
& Technology

AI Skills Hub

The government has launched free courses to improve AI skills in the workforce. Choose from 14 recommended courses to build your foundational AI skills. They've been chosen for people working in small and medium-sized enterprises but are also useful for those in the public sector, civil society and larger organisations.

Delivered by 8 different technology providers, the courses range from 20 minutes to 9 hours.

If you are an SME and interested in AI adoption beyond skills, visit the [Learning Steps](#) to see curated information on implementing AI in the workplace.

Access the AI skills Hub [here](#).

ActiveInclusion@APDA

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Active Inclusion

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King's Trust

We have so many great courses for young people aged 16-30 to get involved in.

Courses are free and give people the tools to build their confidence, find a job or start their own business.

Highlights include:

- Get Started with Cooking
- Get Started with Radio
- Get Started with News and Sports
- Get into Customer Service on the Railway w/ Southeastern

For more information, please visit the [website](#).

Classroom 2Careers

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South London Partnership's **Classroom2Careers** programme is inviting employers to pilot new approaches to providing **early experiences of work** for younger students.

These are **low-depth, group-based activities** that can be delivered **either at your workplace or in a school** setting. They act as **gateways** and are designed to reach students who may face barriers to accessing traditional work experience. Your involvement can help unlock ambition and open doors to sectors they might not otherwise encounter.

Group experiences are a brilliant way to:

- Spark curiosity about your sector
- Build early confidence and aspiration
- Offer a glimpse into real working environments

Examples of experiences:

- Interactive workplace tours
- Hands-on challenges or mini projects
- Role-play or scenario-based activities
- Problem-solving tasks linked to real-world work

We're looking for employers who want to **test new formats, connect with diverse young talent, and make a lasting impact** - even in just a few hours.

Interested in opening a gateway? Get in touch with the Careers Hub team to explore how your organisation can [get involved](#).



Neurodiversity in the workplace

Neurodiversity is all around us, yet it's often misunderstood or overlooked in professional settings. Integrated Care Support offers **free adult skills courses** and **employment support** to empower Londoners with the tools they need to thrive in a rapidly changing job market.

Enrol here: [PEF | Integrated Care Support \(September 2025 - August 2026\)](#)

Proudly supported by the Mayor of London and Integrated Care Support Services

Partner Flyers and Events



National SUPPORTED INTERNSHIP DAY

Celebrate the remarkable efforts of our interns!

Join us!

 **25th March 2026**

 **12-2pm**

 **Hyde Park Room**
St George's Hospital,
next to Ingredients
Restaraunt



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projectsearch@stgeorges.nhs.uk

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Merton Council Supported Internship

OPEN DAY


We are excited to invite you to our upcoming open day. The Supported Internship Open Day will provide an opportunity for young people, parents, carers and professionals to learn more about the programme and how it supports progression into employment. The event will outline the structure of the internship, share information on available job roles and host employers, and explain the job coaches and education staff roles. Attendees will also have the opportunity to ask questions, explore next steps, and gain understanding of expectations, eligibility, and outcomes. The aim of event is to ensure individuals are fully informed and confident when considering the Supported Internship pathway.

EVENT TIME SLOTS

SLOT 1 - 10AM -12PM

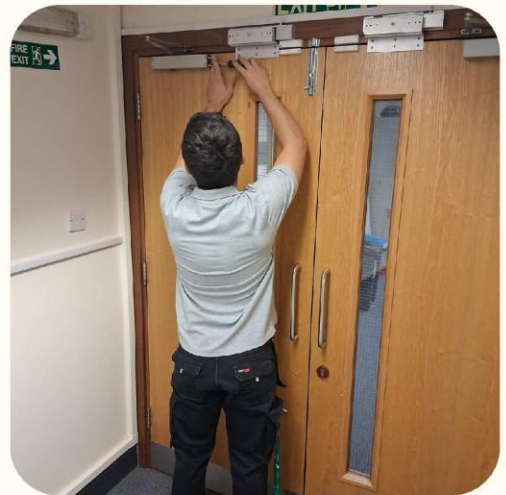
SLOT 2 - 5PM -7PM

Contact-Nichola Headings

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Please RSVP to secure your slot

 hollie.pile@merton.gov.uk



Merton Council Supported Internship

15TH

APRIL
2026

**MERTON COUNCIL
COUNCIL CHAMBER
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The South London Skills and Employment Partnership Charter

Are you keen to demonstrate your business/organisations commitment to supporting the growth of the South London workforce?

As part of our commitment to ensuring that the business/employer voice shapes the skills required for the future the South London Skills and Employment Alliance is offering the opportunity for local businesses and employers to sign up to a brand-new South London Skills Partnership Charter. This is a fantastic opportunity to shape the skills of the future and to show your organisations commitment to developing your staff.

By signing the charter, you can demonstrate how you and your organisation

- The organisation has signed and committed to the [South London Partnership Charter](#) demonstrating their commitment to partnership, agility and responsiveness, sustainability and inclusivity.
- Has pride and actively invests in South London as a great place to live, learn and work
- Improves the skills and employment system by being responsive and agile
- Takes action to boost economic productivity and inclusive growth
- Understands your role in shaping the skills provision and employment support programmes delivered in South London
- Understands your role and the part we all play in an employment and skills system that responds to local needs and prepares a workforce equipped with the skills to get jobs now and in the future.
- Demonstrates your social value commitments and are well placed to apply for funding and partnership opportunities.

Ready to sign? Please download the Charter available here: [Skills and Employment Partnership Charter - South London Partnership](#) and send to admin@southlondonpartnership.co.uk.

Together, let's help shape and integrate skills and employment provision across South London.



Skills and Employment Champion Badge

At South London Integration Hub, we are committed to recognising and celebrating the achievements of our members and learners. That's why we're excited to introduce our new initiative: the [Skills and Employment Champion Badge](#)!

This badge represents your dedication, expertise, and continuous growth within our community. Digital badges are virtual credentials that highlight your accomplishments and skills, highlighting your membership and achievements. The badges will identify you as a champion in connecting and helping others, there is no extra commitment other than your current practice but demonstrates your active partnership working and collaboration skills.

Criteria for Earning the Skills and Employment Champion Badge:

- **Personal Development and Awareness:** Attend at least one South London Partnership (SLP) event per year and participate in relevant workshops and webinars.
- **Signposting and Referral:** Maintain an up-to-date understanding of programmes and services and use signposting resources and toolkits.
- **Community Engagement:** Actively participate in SLP and borough communications and forums.
- **Pathways and Referrals:** Develop knowledge of at least five referral pathways.
- **Partnership Working:** Establish and maintain partnerships with at least five service providers and collaborate on joint initiatives.
- **Celebration and Communication:** Share at least one success story annually and promote opportunities through various channels.
- **Organisational Contribution:** Provide updated contact information annually with SLP.
- **Linking Priorities:** Regularly review local priorities and integrate them into organisational strategies, reporting on successes annually.

Benefits of the Badge:

- Formal acknowledgment of your commitment to enhancing skills and employment opportunities.
- Verifiable digital badges to highlight your skills across platforms.
- Enhance your CV, email signature, and social media profiles, highlighting your expertise.
- Connect with professionals and organisations for collaboration and support.
- Stand out in the job market with tangible evidence of your accomplishments.
- Participate in workshops and events that contribute to your professional development.
- Motivate peers to pursue their own learning and growth.
- Access tailored support, training sessions, and community events for badge holders.
- Position yourself as trusted advisors on programme delivery and gain access to new initiatives that can benefit your residents or service users

Join Us!

Celebrate your achievements and inspire others to pursue continuous learning and development.

For more information and to apply, or if you would like to feature in our newsletter, contact:

admin@southlondonpartnership.co.uk

For a downloadable PDF copy of this bulletin, [visit the SLP website.](#)



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