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South London Connect Employer Newsletter, produced by the South London No Wrong Door Integration Hub. Your go-to source for all the latest updates, news, and insights, keeping you updated on our vibrant Skills and Employment community in South London.

Bulletin Highlight

AI for South London Businesses – Improve Productivity and Growth with Maikai

Are you an business/organisation in South London? You're invited to join a FREE online webinar delivered by Maikai in partnership with the South London Partnership.

Date: Tuesday 8th September

Time: 11:30-12:30am

Location: Microsoft Teams

How to join: Register to join the webinar here

Complete the self-assessment AI diagnostic before you come along! This will help shape the session and ensure you leave with real-world business applications of AI and resources you can easily access. Learn more about guidance and development opportunities that can help your organisation embrace AI with confidence.



Go Construct Careers

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!

You can also get help and guidance on:

What jobs are right for me?

How to get into Construction

Construction Apprenticeships

Joyna: Connecting People to Local Communities and Activities

Joyna is a free AI-powered WhatsApp service that helps people discover local events, activities and community groups in under 60 seconds, with no app download or sign-up required. Employers can share this resource with staff at no cost to support wellbeing, social connection and community engagement.

Become a Host Employer?

Joyna won't send you traffic, but it will feed through individuals who are seeking exactly what it is that you do. Learn more about becoming a Host employer on the platform and how it works here

For enquiries, contact the Joyna Team at hello@joyna.community.

Inclusive Talent

Pathways to Work Innovation Fund - £60 million fund launched to transform employment support

The DWP published a press release regarding the launch of the Pathways to Work Innovation Fund, a £60 million pot intended to fund innovative ideas to support disabled people move closer and into work.

The Fund will open for bids in September 2026, when private, voluntary and public sector organisations are invited to come forward with the most ambitious, creative ideas to help disabled people and those with health conditions get into and on at work.

Full details on how to apply will be published in due course.

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.

You can find more information about joining the advisory board and becoming an ally here or contact **Vicky Richards** at vicky.richards@crisis.org.uk

Youth Employment

Youth Jobs Grant - £3000 for employers



The government has launched the Youth Jobs Grant which offers £3,000 to employers who hire eligible 18–24-year-olds for at least 16 weeks. Aimed at tackling high youth unemployment, the scheme will support up to 60,000 roles over three years, with payments made in two instalments once earnings are verified. Guidance, terms & conditions and FAQs can be found here. Employers can apply online here.

Partner Flyers & Events

