

Soren Learning Solutions Ltd is delighted to present a regional conference in association with **Albion in the Community**

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Education and Employability

Thursday 8th December, Amex Community Stadium • 9.45am – 3.00pm

Are You...

- Confused about the changes affecting careers, work-related learning, enterprise and vocational education?
- Looking for effective ways to bring together careers education, IAG, and PSHE education?
- Reviewing your curriculum provision and experiences of work you provide to students?
- Maximising the potential of your links with business?
- Unsure about the best qualifications to offer students?
- Making the best of reduced funding?
- Seeking education business link support?
- Successfully preparing students for progression into further learning and work?
- Ready to meet the 'Employability Challenge'?

The Conference

The programme will be structured around understanding the policy landscape and meeting the employability challenge via leadership, curriculum, employer and partnership challenges. The day will feature presentations from Gary Forrest and Sue Barr, national experts in the fields of work-related learning, careers education, information, advice and guidance, enterprise education and employer engagement.

Case study materials will be discussed and practical tools and frameworks presented. Delegates will take away all materials on a memory stick.

Who should attend?

- Colleagues from secondary, FE, 14-19 partnerships, PRUs and SEN schools and Local Authority representatives – head teachers, SMT, business and community managers, PSHE teachers and careers advisors.

Register Now for Early Bird Discount:

£125 per delegate (inclusive of refreshments, lunch and materials) if booked before **31st October**.

£135 per delegate for bookings after that.

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Current policy context for employability

9.45	Welcome, introductions and domestics	Tim Sorensen
10.00	What do we mean by employability? Overview and structure of the day	Gary Forrest
10.15	Understanding the policy landscape – government rationale and principles	
	● careers education and IAG	Sue Barr
	● work-related and vocational education, enterprise and employer engagement	Gary Forrest
	● discussion of the implications for schools, colleges, support organisations and employers	

Meeting the employability challenge: developing an effective strategy

11.30	The leadership challenge	Sue Barr
	● whole organisation approach, policies, culture and ethos, staffing and resourcing, evaluation and improvement	
	● framework for development – review of progress to date, strategy for next steps and action plan	
12.30	Lunch	
1.00	The curriculum challenge	Gary Forrest
	● redesigning the curriculum in response to the changing context, effective principles, pedagogical approaches, assessment and accreditation	
	● practical activity – setting out curriculum priorities	
	● discussion – why assess young people's employability?	
2.00	The employer challenge	Sue Barr
	● changing roles of employers in education	
	● discussion – key features of effective employer engagement	
2.30	The partnership challenge	Gary Forrest
	● reviewing partnerships	
	● discussion – what works well, benefits to young people	
2.50	Final points and questions	
3.00	Close	