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I said in the introduction to the 'last edition' that it would be the err 'last edition' of the SLIM-lines - before we launched our exciting, all-singing, all-dancing* new e-zine the [South West Skills Newsletter](#) – and that if I failed in bringing the new Newsletter out on time, I'd be thrown by our sponsors into the Climie Fisher Memorial Gravel Pits in Frome... Well thankfully the Gravel Pits turned out to be (rather like the beat-combo they are named after) not too deep - so I'm back... with this, the 'definitely last ever, ever, SLIM-lines Newsletter EVER!'

This edition combines the usual heady-mix of news, publications, events and ESF/ERDF happenings - all designed for you - the discerning reader. And if I fail to get the South West Skills Newsletter format cobbled together for the next edition... then no-doubt another trip to the Gravel Pits in Frome awaits... or worse still I'll be chucked down the disused Go West Cassiterite Mine in Plympton.

In the meantime – do keep sending me your events, links, publications etc and watch out for the new Newsletter... I'll get there in the end... CIAO!

[Andy](#)

**Warning: may not actually sing or dance.*

South West Community Funding

The East Dorset Community Development Grants aim to stimulate local communities and promote partnerships and participation; develop the quality of life for individuals by supporting cultural interests of groups and individuals; promote the economic regeneration of local communities through community partnership and assist social interaction by all groups within communities. Funding of up to £10,000 is available to the priority groups working on lifelong learning projects, supporting young people and the elderly, the disabled, and those disadvantaged by social exclusion.

<http://www.dorsetforyou.com/index.jsp?articleid=326050>

Impact Analysis: ESF Objective One Programme, Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly

Three reports produced by Marchmont/SLIM looking at the Impact Analysis was initiated by regional and Cornish stakeholder organisations to determine how well ESF support under Objective One in Cornwall has matched the needs of individuals and local businesses, and contributed to overall productivity of the Cornish economy. <http://www.swslim.org.uk/research/slim-reports.asp?offset=5>

Workplace Literacy Language and Numeracy Evaluation Toolkit – Final Report

Here at Marchmont/SLIM we have been involved in a Leonardo Project – Wollnet. Here is the research report containing a survey of relevant training impact evaluation methodologies and an analysis of consultations with stakeholders across EU partner countries. http://www.wollnet.org/results_en.htm

Thought for today

We are chameleons, and our partialities and prejudices change place with an easy and blessed facility, and we are soon wonted to the change and happy in it.

Mark Twain

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UK ensures right to work overtime can continue

The right for UK workers to choose to work longer than 48 hours a week has today been secured, after ministers reached a new agreement in Europe. The landmark agreement on both the Working Time Directive and the Agency Workers Directive at the EU Employment Council allows the UK's vital labour market flexibility to continue, while ensuring workers are treated fairly.

<http://www.info4local.gov.uk/filter/?item=838950>

Ladder4Learning has launched

The project will provide information and advice about learning and development opportunities for paid and voluntary workers. To find out more, please visit: <http://www.ladder4learning.org.uk/>

International insights: planning a city region

In the third article in our international series, Professor Robin Hambleton looks at how the Italian city of Milan developed a vision for its 'city region'. Perhaps some of its ideas be adapted to suit the UK context?

<http://list.idea-knowledge.gov.uk/t/14105/76704/2196/0/>

Leadership report shows UK organisations could do better

Efforts by UK businesses to improve leadership are failing to deliver the necessary outcomes to compete successfully. This is one of the key findings from our new, global leadership forecast survey. Click on the link above to download your copy of the survey report. Also in this issue there's an employment law update and a report on how electronic simulations are providing a better learning experience.

<http://www.cipd.co.uk/subjects/maneco/leadership/glldrshp08.htm>

Esmée Fairbairn Foundation launches new funding strands

The Esmée Fairbairn Foundation is launching three exciting new approaches to its funding: a new funding strand based on Food, a pilot programme of work in Northern Ireland and a Finance Fund. Dawn Austwick, Chief Executive, stated, "We are delighted to announce these three new areas of funding. Our food strand broadens out from our previous work supporting sustainable food networks, whilst the Northern Ireland pilot has developed out of a series of discussions with the third sector organisations there. We are particularly pleased to be working in partnership with The Henry Smith Charity on this strand".

<http://www.esmeefairbairn.org.uk/pr-template.html>

ACAS urges South West carers to seek help in the workplace

With three million people in the UK juggling work with caring responsibilities, ACAS, the employment relations specialists, is urging employees in the South West to seek help in the workplace ahead of Carers week which starts on 9 June. In the South West there are an estimated 495,442 carers, many of whom also work. Evidence shows that work is important for carers own wellbeing, social inclusion and financial benefits. The theme for Carers week is 'Carers can't afford to be ill'. Many Carers are often too pre-occupied or worried about the person they care for to look after their own wellbeing, and if they become ill they are not only unable to look after their dependent but also cannot go to work, impacting negatively on businesses. The right to apply for flexible working is available at <http://www.acas.org.uk>

Planning for Sustainable Rural Communities: The big picture

This leaflet outlines what the commission means by 'sustainable rural communities'. It describes the changes to policies and practice that are needed to make progress towards making rural communities more sustainable. <http://www.info4local.gov.uk/documents/publications/838431>

Evidence on the Effect of Pathways to Work on Existing Claimants

This research considers the Pathways to Work package of reforms, aimed at encouraging employment among people claiming incapacity benefits. This study covers customers with claims of roughly one to three years' duration. <http://www.info4local.gov.uk/documents/publications/825324>

Huge interest in funding for local communities

Nineteen community partnerships - all seeking funds to bring about lasting improvements to the life and economy of their towns and villages - have submitted bids to the South West Local Action fund for rural communities. Local Action is a competitive fund and the money being sought by the hopeful groups totals nearly £60 million - more than twice the £28 million of funding available.

<http://www.southwestrda.org.uk/news/release.asp?releaseid=2579>

New Reports and Publications

National Train to Gain Evaluation

Following the national roll-out of Train to Gain research has been completed to gauge the views of the learners themselves and taking a wider look at employers opinions. Train to Gain represents one of the most important developments in skills policy in recent years. It is particularly concerned with increasing the proportion of adults in the workforce with Level 2 qualifications and good basic skills as well as supporting the development of higher level skills. <http://research.lsc.gov.uk/evaluation/published/>

Still more (better paid) jobs for the boys: apprenticeships and gender segregation

This report highlights the gendered nature of Apprenticeships, arguing that while a significant number of Apprenticeship places have opened up for women, this is not the case in the traditionally male dominated sectors, which also tend to be higher paid. Along with assessing the extent to which occupational segregation has changed over the last few years, the report also considers whether large employers fare better than employers as a whole in breaking down occupational segregation in Apprenticeships. The report also identifies gendered patterns in Apprenticeship pay and conditions. In order to address the issue of gender equality in Apprenticeships, the report concludes that radical action is needed, with a six-point plan to achieve change. <http://www.tuc.org.uk/extras/genderreport.pdf>

Results of the 2007 National Employer Skills Survey (NESS07)

NESS07 was commissioned by the Learning and Skills Council (LSC) and various key partners, with the overarching aim of providing robust and reliable information from employers in England on skills deficiencies and workforce development. This will serve as a common basis to develop policy and assess the impact of skills initiatives.

[http://readingroom.lsc.gov.uk/lsc/National/Research Newsletter NESS07 Hot Topic May2008.doc](http://readingroom.lsc.gov.uk/lsc/National/Research%20Newsletter%20NESS07%20Hot%20Topic%20May2008.doc)

Taking forward the review of sub-national economic development and regeneration

Examines the Government's recent consultation on the sub-national review of economic development and regeneration. Notes that CLES (Centre for Local Economic Strategies) will be submitting a formal response to the consultation, which closes on 20th June. *CLES Bulletin, No 58 2008*

Segmentation of Adults by Attitudes Towards Learning and Barriers to Learning

This report examines adults' attitudes to learning and the range of obstacles that they feel deter them from taking part. The aim of the research is to understand the range of motivations that might increase levels of adult learning. Overall the analysis seems to show that financial incentives can have only limited impact, since those with limited means often have multiple barriers. The approach DIUS has adopted, that of providing training while at work through Train to Gain, should help to encourage many adults who are in work. <http://www.dius.gov.uk/research/documents/DIUS-RR-08-01.pdf>

Outcomes from an Audit of Work-Based and Placement Learning

The Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education (QAA) has reported that there is now widespread engagement with work-based and placement learning and the introduction of employability skills into the curriculum. A summary of outcomes from 59 institutional audit reports identifies features of good practice such as encouraging students to organise their own placements and making innovative use of local and regional links. It also comments on support mechanisms for students, standards of learning and assessments. <http://www.qaa.ac.uk/reviews/institutionalAudit/outcomes/Assessmentofstudents.asp>

Young people in England face a postcode lottery to access decent education after the age of 16

A report has found provision varies wildly across the country because the structure of post-16 education is based on history and institutional ambitions, rather than on evidence of what actually works. The report, *By Accident or Design - Is Our System of Post-16 Provision Fit for Purpose?*, will be launched on 9 June in Westminster. www.cfbt.com

Higher education at work: high skills - high value

"High level skills – the skills associated with higher education – are good for the individuals who acquire them and good for the economy. They help individuals unlock their talent and aspire to change their life for the better. They help businesses and public services innovate and prosper. They help towns and cities thrive by creating jobs, helping businesses become more competitive and driving economic regeneration."

http://www.dius.gov.uk/consultations/documents/Higher_Education_at_Work.pdf

ESF and ERDF Latest

UK companies continue to outperform Europe's

The largest UK owned companies continue to dominate their European counterparts when it comes to the creation of wealth. The Department for Innovation, Universities and Skills 2008 Value Added Scoreboard, released today, shows that the top 185 UK companies continue to be more efficient at creating value, or wealth, than their European peers. <http://www.info4local.gov.uk/filter/?item=837886>

Off-shoring of employment accounts only for 8% of job losses in the European Union

According to research from Eurofound, the Dublin-based EU Agency providing European social partners with comparative research, data and recommendations. It argues that European policy-makers face difficult decisions today since the developments in international trade in services could result in a serious impact on future employment, given that service-sector jobs account for 70% of employment in the European Union. This comes at a time when negative public opinion toward globalisation is on the rise. Between 2003 and 2006, the proportion of European citizens who see globalisation as a threat to employment went up from 39% to 47%. <http://www.eurofound.europa.eu/>

Open calls for tenders

- Study on Active Inclusion of Migrants
http://ec.europa.eu/employment_social/emplweb/tenders/tenders_en.cfm?id=3145
- Study on 'Housing exclusion: welfare policies, housing provision and labour markets'
http://ec.europa.eu/employment_social/emplweb/tenders/tenders_en.cfm?id=3205&reason=0
- Study on Child Poverty
http://ec.europa.eu/employment_social/emplweb/tenders/tenders_en.cfm?id=3165&reason=0
- Study on the review of methodologies applied for the assessment of employment and social impacts
http://ec.europa.eu/employment_social/emplweb/tenders/tenders_en.cfm?id=3065&reason=0
- Innovative approaches towards successful integration of Migrants in the labour market
http://ec.europa.eu/employment_social/emplweb/tenders/tenders_en.cfm?id=3306&reason=0

Open calls for proposals

- Innovative Projects for Worker Mobility in the EU
http://ec.europa.eu/employment_social/emplweb/tenders/tenders_en.cfm?id=3066&reason=0
- Projects contributing to the evaluation of the European Employment Strategy - EES
http://ec.europa.eu/employment_social/emplweb/tenders/tenders_en.cfm?id=3125&reason=0
- Projects on Local Employment Development
http://ec.europa.eu/employment_social/emplweb/tenders/tenders_en.cfm?id=3245&reason=0

UK companies continue to outperform Europe's

The annual scoreboard uses 'Value Added' by companies to measure the amount of wealth they create. This is particularly important as it reflects the ability of companies to provide their customers with what they want and are prepared to pay for. It shows almost 23 per cent of all European 'Value Added' came from UK companies, more than any other country.

<http://nds.coi.gov.uk/environment/fullDetail.asp?ReleaseID=369894&NewsAreaID=2>

More than just jobs: workforce development in a skills-based economy

Discusses how labour policies in OECD countries can be expanded to meet economic development and social cohesion goals, moving beyond job placement strategies towards enhancing workforce skills and providing upwards mobility to immigrants and disadvantaged communities.

<http://213.253.134.43/oecd/pdfs/browseit/8408021E.PDF>

Mind the gap: women's and men's quality of work and employment - background paper

In recent decades, there has been a significant rise in female employment rates. In the period from 2000–2006, the employment rate for the total population rose by 2.1%, whereas it rose by 3.4% for women. Where Member States have experienced an overall fall in employment rates, this has mostly affected men, all Member States having recorded positive employment growth for women.

<http://www.eurofound.europa.eu/pubdocs/2008/39/en/1/ef0839en.pdf>

Latest Labour Market Data

This month's figures show an increase in both the number of people in employment and the employment rate. The number of unemployed people and the claimant count have increased but the unemployment rate is unchanged. The inactivity rate and the number of inactive people of working age have both fallen. The number of vacancies has increased. Growth in average earnings excluding bonuses is unchanged but earnings growth including bonuses has increased. In the latest reference period; the working age employment rate was 74.9%, up 0.1 percentage point on the previous quarter. The number of people in employment increased by 117,000 over the quarter. The unemployment rate was 5.2%, unchanged from the previous quarter. The number of unemployed people increased by 14,000 over the quarter. The claimant count was 806,300, up 7,200 from the previous month. The number of vacancies was 682,800, up 6,700 from the previous quarter. <http://www.statistics.gov.uk/pdfdir/lmsuk0508.pdf>

New STEM Boost

New drive to boost skills in science, engineering, manufacturing and technology industries. A new agreement between the Government and employers will deliver more skilled workers to do the jobs of the future in science, engineering and manufacturing technologies, Skills Secretary, John Denham, announced today. The Government will earmark £65 million from the Train to Gain budget to help Semta, the Sector Skills Council for science, engineering and manufacturing technologies in the UK, invest in the skills of the sector's workforce. Support will be tailored to meet employers' specific skills needs in these vital fields.

<http://www.info4local.gov.uk/filter/?item=822804>

Long term sick and disabled are finding work

More long-term sick and disabled people are finding work, and getting into work faster - thanks to the Government's Pathways to Work programme, which is now available across the whole of Great Britain. New findings show that taking part in a Pathways programme significantly increases the chances of long-term sick and disabled people finding work, with more people finding work more quickly than those who have not taken part in the scheme at all. The early success shows that Pathways to Work has a vital role to play in future welfare reforms.

<http://nds.coi.gov.uk/Content/Detail.asp?ReleaseID=368584&NewsAreaID=2>

Swimming with the tide: democratising the places where we work

Suggests there is a growing divide between the public's role as self-assertive consumers, the emphasis being placed by government on the need to become active citizens, and a lack of voice or power at work. Highlights the benefits of workplace democracy. Calls for action by trade unions to play a pivotal role in putting in place structures for effective workplace democracy and for government to take the lead in developing best practice in workplace democracy in the public services.

<http://www.compassonline.org.uk/publications/item.asp?d=389>

South West Funding

The Tudor Trust and the Lankelly Chase Foundation have now decided on a second phase of the programme making £1.2m available over the next two years. This programme will support voluntary sector organisations working within the criminal justice sector in the South West Region. To inform this funding programme, the Trusts are holding two meetings to seek the views and involvement of as many small and medium sized voluntary organisations in the South West as possible. The events will be in Bristol on 9 July and Exeter on 10 July. karenflippance@btconnect.com

Mental Health Report

'Short-Changed' is the Sainsbury Centre for Mental Health's latest report which shows that prison in reach teams get £300 in funding for every prisoner in England. This is only about one-third of what they need to offer the same level of service as community mental health services. The report finds that funding for prison mental health is twice as high in London and in Yorkshire and the North East as it is in either the East Midlands or the South West. http://www.scmh.org.uk/news/2008_prison_mh_services_short-changed.aspx

Attitudes and Barriers to Learning - Report

This report examines adults' attitudes to learning and the range of obstacles that they feel deter them from taking part. The aim of the research is to understand the range of motivations that might increase levels of adult learning. <http://www.info4local.gov.uk/documents/publications/823874>

Local Futures Barometer

Local Futures Barometers provide a short analysis of topical policy issues, from a geographical perspective. Our latest Barometer looks at the geography of school-leaving qualifications, using the latest GCSE figures. The article demonstrates the varied pattern of local skills across England and highlights continued spatial divides. <http://www.localfutures.com/index.aspx?pageID=312>

Firms should focus on 'talent not tokenism'

The CBI and TUC show the business benefits of diversity. Read this article on the benefits of having a diverse workforce. <http://www.peoplemanagement.co.uk/pm/articles/2008/06/firms-should-focus-on-talent-not-tokenism.htm>. And here is a CIPD case study report on managing diversity in practice <http://www.cipd.co.uk/Bookstore/catalogue/DiversityAndEquality/9781843981848.htm> And a fact-sheet on diversity - <http://www.cipd.co.uk/subjects/dvsequel/general/divover.htm>

SWOOP – Age and Demography Latest

ECONOMIC DOWNTURN IMPACTS FLEXIBLE WORKING

An independent survey of more than 1,000 UK office workers shows mobile working is on the decline. With fears over jobs and the economy, more workers – especially middle managers and below – are shunning mobile working, preferring to be seen in the office regardless of whether that is the best location for them to work. Comparison research in 2007 shows that the percentage of firms claiming to offer some form of mobile working has dropped by 10% - from nearly 60% to just under 50%. Furthermore, 13% of UK office workers said that mobile working was actively discouraged and only 10% of workers in 2008 feel that they have the freedom to work remotely.

<http://www.onrec.com/newsstories/21902.asp>

HELP THE AGED TELLS GOVERNMENT TO BAN AGEISM IN ORDER TO BE RE-ELECTED

The warning comes as the Government is deliberating whether or not to legislate to end age discrimination as part of the Equality Bill it will be introducing in the next session of Parliament. The Charity says it is deeply concerned that despite recent poll findings that the equivalent of 74% of adults (some 35 million people) want age discrimination to be outlawed completely, the Government will decide to deny older people equal rights. <http://www.taen.org.uk/news/index.php?action=fullnews&id=5347>

ITALY'S IMMIGRATION MOVES THREATEN NEED FOR YOUNG WORKERS

Italy's new rightwing government has lost no time making a show of tackling one of the hottest issues of the election campaign: the claim that Italy is in the throes of a national security emergency largely caused by illegal immigrants.....At the same time, Italy's entrepreneurs point out that the country desperately needs young workers to support its ageing population and to fill the manual jobs Italians are increasingly reluctant to do. Italy should welcome honest, working foreigners and integrate them into society, not terrify them into leaving the country. Tellingly, some members of the Government have realised that their families' nannies and carers may also be affected and want them exempted from being considered criminals. <http://www.guardian.co.uk/commentisfree/2008/may/29/whosesecurity>

MENTAL HEALTH COSTS SET TO SOAR WITH AGEING POPULATION

A major year-long study into the cost of meeting the mental health needs of the nation over the next two decades has been published by the King's Fund. *Paying the Price* suggests that significant investment in evidence-based services could help thousands back to productive work. The report reveals that mental illness in England cost £50 billion in 2007. More than half, £26.1 billion, represents the estimated cost to the economy of earnings lost because of the thousands of people unable to work due to their mental illness. Although it finds that the prevalence of most mental disorders, including schizophrenia, is likely to remain stable over the next 20 years, it predicts a huge increase in dementia - up by almost two-thirds (61 per cent) from 582,827 to 937,636 due to an ageing population.

http://www.kingsfund.org.uk/media/mental_illness_in.html

LOCAL COUNCIL SKILLS GAP

Considers the action local government needs to take to solve its problem of an ageing workforce and a shortage of young talent. Suggests that the changing local government environment is also a challenge. Presents recommendations for local government to help attract and develop future leaders. Argues that the types of skills and competencies needed must initially be recognised and that councils must plan for the future.

http://www.publicfinance.co.uk/search_details.cfm?News_id=32743&keysearch=the%20next%20generation

Migrant Worker latest...

Encouraging Parish and Town Councils to Help Migrant Workers

This is a presentation by Commission for Rural Communities Whitehall Director, Crispin Moor, to the National Association of Local Councils 2008 conference on 20 May. He talks about the role of parish and town councils in helping migrant workers.

<http://www.info4local.gov.uk/documents/publications/820707>

Vulnerable Workers Link

The Vulnerable Workers Project (VWP) is a pilot project funded by Business Enterprise and Regulatory Reform (BERR) and delivered by the TUC. It aims to demonstrate good practice and inform policy to ensure that all workers receive fair treatment and are provided with opportunities to fulfill their full potential and progress in employment. Below is a link to a questionnaire designed to capture experiences of workers that had any problems exercising their rights at work. If you know somebody that had personal experience themselves or is working with such clients please forward the link to them. <http://www.smart-survey.co.uk/v.asp?i=5783odygb>

Migrant Workers in the West of England, Topic Paper, April 2008

Migrant workers have always played an important role in the West of England economy, most notably in the City of Bristol. Since the European Union expanded in 2004 to encompass A8 countries (Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Slovakia & Slovenia) there has been a noticeable net increase of migrant workers into the sub-region. They have been attracted to the area because of local skill shortages. <http://www.intelligencewest.org.uk/population/html/populationreports.htm>

FEATURED SW EVENTS

The Southwest Heritage Employers Event - For 3rd Sector & Commercial Organisations

16 June, 2008, Genesis Centre & Taunton Conference Centre, Taunton, Somerset, TA1 5AX

<http://www.swln.ac.uk/>

Learning South West's Annual Summer Conference 2008 - The Secret of the Crystal Chandelier

18 June 2008, The Riviera Centre, Torquay

Come to Torquay, home of Agatha Christie, to unravel the success of the regional Crystal Chandelier partnership project. To read more about the conference and register for a place visit our website at:

<http://www.learning-southwest.org.uk/web/Page3.aspx?PageID=210>

South West Learning & Skills Research Network (LSRN) Annual Conference Changing Identities & "Dual Professionalism" in the Learning & Skills Sector

10 July 2008, The Exchange, Bridgwater

Held in partnership with the SWitch & Peninsula Centres for Excellence in Teacher Training (CETT)

Keynote Speakers

Dr Ann Hodgson & Dr Ken Spours, of the Institute of Education London, whose ground-breaking work on policy and practice in the learning and skills sector will provide a stimulating and challenging backdrop to the day.

Who should attend?

- Anyone interested in supporting and promoting research in the learning & skill sector
- Those engaged in research
- Those supporting colleagues new to research activities
- Practitioners interested in becoming involved in research, and
- Those interested in hearing about the research undertaken by others around this theme

<http://www.learning-southwest.org.uk/web/Page3.aspx?PageID=213>

Stroud Communiversy - Building Vibrant Communities

1-6 August 2008, Stroud Communiversy, The Exchange, Brick Row, Stroud

For administration queries and course booking contact: Odilia Jarman on 01453 766598

Further information and updates can also be found at: www.stroudcommonwealth.org.uk

Conferences and Events continued...

The BILD Annual Conference: Engagement in Learning

12 June 2008, CBI Conference Centre, London WC1

<https://www.swiftpage5.com/symposium.howard/C080331074900/speasapage.aspx?addr=31>

How Colleges can promote Community Cohesion

16 June 2008, London Chamber of Commerce and Industry, 33 Queen Street, London

This conference will enable participants to learn from authoritative speakers and critically share experiences and solutions from colleagues who work in different parts of the country.

<http://www.niace.org.uk/conferences/community-cohesion.htm>

South West Regional Achievement Dialogue - Skills for Life provision for adults with learning difficulties and/or disabilities

18 June 2008, Lyngford House Conference Centre, Taunton

www.niace.org.uk/RADMoodle (click on Log in as Guest)

The Guardian 2nd Annual Further Education and Skills Summit 2008

18 June 2008, QEII Conference Centre, London SW1

<http://neilstewart.msgfocus.com/c/1LXtoOCOSQeNrTqa>

This learning life 2

19-21 June 2008, Bristol

www.thislearninglife.org

Welfare to Work Convention 2008

25/26 June 2008, ICC Birmingham

<http://www.cesi.org.uk/Events/showevone.asp>

Creating Enterprising Colleges - Building enterprise knowledge and skills to unlock talent

1 July 2008, CCT Venues-Smithfield, London EC1

<http://neilstewart.msgfocus.com/c/1ThVPiuzHI1RvR7j>

Getting Those 'Not in Employment, Education or Training' (NEET) into Work through Partnership

28 August 2008

<http://insidegovernment.msgfocus.com/c/11ADxolAVjdGB3UC>

Mindful employer conference

25 September 2008, Thistle Hotel Exeter

E-mail: info@mindfulemployer.net

Tackling Social Exclusion Through Partnership - Removing The Barriers

22 October 2008, Westminster:

www.insidegovernment.co.uk/other/social_exclusion/

End Notes

If you have seen any useful resources, are organising any interesting events, or want to pass on some information through SLIM - contact us at: a.dean@exeter.ac.uk