

## Learning Disabilities Partnership Board Employment Sub Group Report

### What have we been doing?

We found a group of interested people from:

Voluntary sector, Job centre plus and benefits agency, Prospects, Private colleges, workers from several areas of adult social care, Adult Learning, Community development workers

We spent time discussing what was important to find out about, whilst progressing slowly into work.

Department of works and pensions gave very useful guidance about receiving benefits, and also Universal credit.

We decided to have a workshop called **'You can do it'**

**'You Can do It' Workshop** was very useful. But poorly attended (It was Sport Relief day)

People had lots to talk about. They made lots of contacts to help them.

## What we want to do next year 2014-15

We would like to develop **real** social enterprises.

We think that good providers would welcome information about this.

Adult learning are working with some providers already to develop skills for social enterprise with their customers.

We would like to offer a half day workshop for Providers to signpost all the benefits of social enterprise.

We would offer support to set up the business side of a social enterprise. (There is a local model)

Pilot social enterprise, in possibly 2 locations. Possibly include a school /academy.

## In 2015 -16

Find ways for people who have enjoyed and learnt skills in their social enterprise to make steps into employment.

Explore using traineeships as a means into employment

Motivate local small employers