**Employment Support Pilot – Reference 0157-2017**

**Awareness Event**

The West Midlands Combined Authority are delighted to announce that the Employment Support Pilot funding opportunity is now live.

The Employment Support Pilot is a 3 year programme scheduled to commence in June 2018 aimed at tackling unemployment and low pay within local communities.

The intention is to support individuals to engage with targeted employability support, to raise aspirations within the community, and support individuals to transition into sustainable employment.

There are 9 separate funding opportunities

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| Ward | Value of Contract  |
| Lot 1: Batchley and Brockhill (Redditch) | £173, 278 |
| Lot 2: Binley and Willenhall (Coventry) | £496, 765 |
| Lot 3: Birchills Leamore (Walsall) | £463, 215 |
| Lot 4: Camp Hill (Nuneaton & Bedworth) | £209,959 |
| Lot 5: Cannock North | £211, 221 |
| Lot 6: Chelmsley Wood | £378, 874 |
| Lot 7: Glascote (Tamworth) | £188, 858 |
| Lot 8: Shard End (Birmingham) | £824, 783 |
| Lot 9: Washwood Heath (Birmingham) | £1,053,174 |

The closing date will be the 14th May (noon).

**Events**

We will be hosting a number of localised events to both raise awareness of these opportunities and provide an opportunity for networking.

Attendance will be restricted to one individual per organisation at each event.

Event details and booking arrangements are below:

All attendance should be confirmed by email in advance.

**Birchills / Leamore (Walsall)**

**Thursday 19th April 9.30 – 12:00** - Walsall Council House, Lichfield Street, Walsall, WS1 1TP.

The attendance confirmations should  be sent to Parveen.Sangha@walsall.gov.uk

**Binley  / Willenhall (Coventry)**

**Thursday 19th April; 14:00 – 16:00 -** WEETC – Willenhall Education and Employment Centre, Robin Hood Rd, Coventry CV3 3AN (Taylor Room)

The attendance confirmations should be sent to employerhub@coventry.gov.uk

**Glascote (Tamworth)**

**Monday 23rd April; 10.00 – 12:00** Tamworth Enterprise Centre, The Philip Dix Centre/Corporation St, Tamworth B79 7DN

The attendance confirmations should  be sent to John.English@wmca.org.uk (Please confirm whether this is the Tamworth, Birmingham or Redditch event)

**Shard End / Washwood Heath (Birmingham)**

**Tuesday 24th April; 10.00 – 12.00** 16 Summer Lane, Birmingham, West Midlands, B19 3SD

The attendance confirmations should  be sent to John.English@wmca.org.uk (Please confirm whether this is the Tamworth, Birmingham or Redditch event)

**Chelmsley Wood (Solihull)**

**Wednesday 25th April; 10.15 – 12.15** Chamber, Civic Suite, Rear of Council House, Manor  Square , Solihull, B91 3QB

The attendance confirmations should  be sent to  gbslep@solihull.gov.uk (Please confirm whether this is the Tamworth, Birmingham or Redditch event)

**Batchley and Brockhill (Redditch)**

**Thursday 26th; 13:00 – 15:00** Redditch Town Hall Walter Stranz Square, Redditch B98 8AH

The attendance confirmations should  be sent to John.English@wmca.org.uk

**Camp Hill (Nuneaton and Bedworth)**

**Friday 27th ;  10:00 – 12:00,** Council Chamber, Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council, Town Hall, Coton Road, Nuneaton, CV11 5AA

The attendance confirmations should  be sent to: econdev@nuneatonandbedworth.gov.uk

**Cannock Even (TBC)**

Details will be confirmed via the message facility of the Bravo Solution Portal