

BigLife Employment

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ONE STOP SHOP FOR LOCAL TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT

Partington residents are being invited to the launch of an exciting new training and employment centre in the heart of the community, run by Big Life Employment.

The new Partington Job Shop and Skills 2 Build workshop on Wood Lane is a one stop shop for local people, both young and older, to get into training and employment or back into learning and the workplace after unemployment.

The new centre will throw open its doors to the public on Friday 27 March at 1.30pm when staff and trainees will be showcasing the services on offer from the building.

The Job Shop will run a number of skills programmes, designed to boost those all important interview and CV writing techniques, plus help with language, literacy and numeracy.

The Skills 2 Build workshop will also run a local gardening, repair and maintenance service,, and are employing local people through this..

We plan to run a number of projects that we will design with local people which capture their interests. The first of many to be launched is our motorbike renovation project. This project aims to get people involved in something that they have an interest in while at the same time they will be gaining mechanical skills.

The primary aim of the workshop will be to provide a range of skills and development opportunities for the Skills 2 Build trainees including brick laying, and joinery. We will also be opening up the workshop to local people to get assistance with DIY projects they are planning in their own homes. This service will offer advice, ideas and

encourage people to make use of the equipment in the workshop as well as get help with any sourcing and preparation of materials.

Big Life Employment Director Priti Butler said “The Job Shop and workshop are for local people, we want to see it develop into a vibrant hub of activities where local people have made the centre their own. Our aim is to ensure that we are giving that extra vital help in searching for a job, help with job applications and gaining some qualifications for success in the long term.

“This is a really exciting venture for both the community and Big Life Employment, and we hope that residents will come and see the new facilities for themselves on the day of the opening.”

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Note to Editors

Big Life Employment

Big Life Employment (BLE) offers training and employment opportunities to people overlooked by mainstream employers. It works with people who are excluded from the labour market for a variety of reasons, including homeless people, ex-offenders, people from black and ethnic minorities, people with physical and mental health problems, lone parents, unemployed people, and people who have misused alcohol or drugs.

A menu of training courses is also offered, from first aid through to CV preparation and job searching. Personal development courses, along with basic skills training, build confidence and give people a better chance of securing the job they want.

Big Life Employment is a competitive business with a social purpose and is part of The Big Life group of social businesses and charities, which offer support, services and opportunities to help people change their lives and transform their communities.