



# Leeds Migration Partnership

## Employment & Education Priorities progress 09/09/2020

<b>Universal Credit - barrier to employment (zero hour contracts)</b>	
We will Promote DWP awareness raising sessions to Members and share information through the Blog and Meetings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Regular LMP zoom catch up sessions have been a forum for sharing the problems</li> </ul>
Feedback concerns to DWP via the relationship manager	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Simon Betts has been liaising with JC to address specific issues raised at meetings.</li> </ul>
<b>English as a Second Language (ESOL)</b>	
We will Attempt to influence funders to develop sustainable provision	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Covid 19 lockdown crisis had an impact on the delivery of classroom based ESOL provision. Funders have supported the transition to a new online delivery model. Refugees and migrants who don't have access to a device or / and data have faced an additional barrier.</li> </ul>
Attempt to engage with employers to provide/encourage access to ESOL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Covid 19 lockdown has put this on hold</li> </ul>
Help Migrant English Support Hub gather info to help develop new provision	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>New ESOL online provision has been designed over the last months. It is regularly being advertised through the Migration Partnership blog.</li> </ul>
<b>Skills and Training</b>	
We will Promote best practice in volunteering, in line with VAL's Volunteering Quality Mark	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pending</li> </ul>
Find ways of helping migrant volunteers to access opportunities that will best equip them to find work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Need to discuss best way to publicise and promote current volunteer opportunities.</li> </ul>
<b>Personal Status – rights to access employment and learning</b>	
We will Circulate info via Blog and Meetings on funding/bursaries for Further/Higher Education for people with all kinds of immigration status	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ongoing</li> </ul>
<b>Education</b>	
We will share information through the Blog and Meetings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ongoing</li> </ul>
<b>Employment Rights</b>	
We will find ways to engage with trade unions, to help migrant workers know and assert their rights and avoid exploitation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>"Know your rights" to understand migrants and refugees legal rights and access further opportunities in the UK. Course just</li> </ul>



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	<p>publicised on the blog and organised between DLA Piper, MY and RC.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contact with trade unions made in the past. Need to contact again.</li> <li>• Signposting support projects for refugees are being advertised via the blog and also in the regular LMP zoom catch up meetings.</li> </ul>
<b>Other activities</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The current Covid-19 lockdown crisis has changed the priorities and the way partnership organisations operate and support migrants and refugees.</li> </ul>