

D2N2 EMPLOYABILITY CASE STUDY

Overview of the Employability Conference in Chesterfield



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The Careers and Enterprise Company, Enterprise Adviser Network original setup cost was used to hold an Employability Conference at Ringwood Hall in Chesterfield.

There was representation from 13 schools with 9 head teachers, Local Authorities from Chesterfield, North East Derbyshire and Derbyshire CC, providers and employers. There was approximately 80 people in total.

Ian Greenaway (Chair of the D2N2 Employability Task Group) opened the conference with an introduction to the CEC, D2N2 and an overview of the D2N2 Employability Framework. Gail presented the D2N2 Employability Framework, how it works for schools and the need for schools to connect to local businesses.

Two large local employers spoke about the passion for working together and the need to get involved and how one company is already seeing the changes in students they interviewed this year for apprenticeships.

Kam Growl-Joy Head Teacher at Parkside Community School spoke about education and the demands and changes for schools and again the need to work together.

Sarah Metcalfe, Assistant Head Teacher at Brookfield Community School did a piece on how she found working with the framework and the whole school skills passport she has developed after going through the process.

We presented MADE in Chesterfield and also on how to become a school governor.

Raising Awareness of the Event: <http://www.d2n2lep.org/News/free-conference-to-address-young-peoples-employability-skills-in-north-derbyshire/152604>

Press Release after the Event: <http://www.d2n2lep.org/news/businesses-encouraged-to-work-with-schools-after-skills-conference>