



Luton Irish Forum



PRESS RELEASE

Free Online Computer Training

From October and in partnership with the Shaw Trust, Luton Irish Forum (LIF) will be delivering online computer and internet training to Lutonians of all ages and abilities.

LIF is one of 5 partners that aim to train a total of 200 learners by March 2011. The Project is managed by the Suffolk Learning Consortium and funded through NIACE (The National Institute of Adult Continuing Education).

Learners are required to complete 5 of 12 modules including using a keyboard, mouse, email, the internet, online services, job hunting, literacy and numeracy. The learners will be supported to develop these skills at a suitable pace, in a friendly environment and online for the first time. Professional, one to one tuition, certificates of completion, lunch and the opportunity to access further training and employment opportunities will be provided.

LIF is now recruiting learners to complete the course over 2 Fridays [10am to 3pm] over a choice of 4 sessions.

Sessions

1. 8th & 15th October
2. 29th October & 5th November
3. 12th & 19th November
4. 26th November & 4th December

Shaw Trust Training and Placement Officer Matthew Harvey said 'computer skills is about building confidence. Having that confidence can help you support your children or grandchildren with their homework. There are also many other opportunities to gain from successfully taking this course with LIF'. Workability Champion Aks Miah also agrees, and went on to add that 'learning about the internet can provide a huge resource in terms of knowledge and research. There is a massive untapped library out there for so many people'.

Luton Irish Forum Public Relations Officer Tom Scanlon said 'Computer skills not only are a necessity for many employers, but can make our home lives easier; be it keeping in touch with family and friends or online shopping. We look forward to hearing of the individual achievements resulting from this unique partnership. Places are limited so don't delay!'

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Notes:

- LIF has trained over 100 people to use word and the internet over recent years.
- For more information on the services of The Shaw Trust, please visit its website www.shaw-trust.org.uk
- For more information on the services of Luton Irish Forum, please visit our website www.lutonirishforum.org