





### O2i Adviser Network: Offer to Oxfordshire businesses

# **O2i: Opportunities to Inspire**

O2i is a service provided by OxLEP to encourage links between education and business across Oxfordshire.

As part of The Careers & Enterprise Company's national Enterprise Adviser Network, O2i will be co-ordinating a network of volunteers for Oxfordshire: O2i Advisers. The network is a unique opportunity for young people and employers alike but O2i and OxLEP need your engagement in order to deliver and empower Oxfordshire's future workforce.

#### **O2i Adviser Network**

The Careers & Enterprise Company was set up to inspire and prepare young people for the world of work. Working in partnership with Local Enterprise Partnerships the company is now rolling out a national network of Enterprise Advisers.

O2i is building a local network of O2i Advisers as part of the Careers & Enterprise

Company's Enterprise Adviser Network. O2i Advisers are high calibre volunteers with experience of employment or self-employment. Together with our Enterprise Coordinator, Rebecca Moore, they will guide school representatives through the range of possible employer interactions and help to create a strategy for careers, enterprise and employer engagement within schools.

Our network of Enterprise Advisers comprises volunteers drawn from business and other employers, both large and small. They will be matched to an individual school and work directly with the leadership of the school or college to develop effective employer engagement programmes. Clusters of schools and O2i Advisers are supported by our full time Enterprise Coordinator, Rebecca Moore.

# The benefits for employers

- The chance to support the development of your future workforce
- Access to schools and colleges to inform young people about your business and encourage future engagement
- The opportunity to become part of The Enterprise Adviser Network which provides a forum for employers to discuss the future of local skills in

### Oxfordshire

Opportunities for your own employees to develop. Get involved either as an O2i Enterprise Adviser or as an O2i Volunteer.

"I want education to be everyone's business, involving parents, teachers, business and the whole community. Schools shouldn't be places where business-people drop their kids at the beginning of the day. Businesses should lead by example"

- John Cridland CBE, Director-General of The Confederation of British Industry

To lend your support and engage with the young people in your area contact Rebecca Moore, your Oxfordshire Enterprise Coordinator, at info@o2i.org.