



'Being the West of England' Professional Network Conference

Tuesday 22nd January 2008

9.30 am – 4.30 pm

Gloucestershire County Cricket Ground



Where do you start? Engaging our communities and influencing change in relation to sport and physical activity is challenging for even the most skilled practitioner. But there are some skills which might help you to be more effective...

The West of England Sport Trust therefore invites you to be a part of the first Conference of its' kind aimed at building a successful professional network, equipped to address today's challenges.

If you have a professional role that involves providing sport, physical activity or active leisure opportunities, for a variety of outcomes, this conference is for you!

Workshops

Ever feel you are buried by policy papers, newsletters, strategy documents and the like? Our workshop on Speed Reading will provide the skills to cut the piles on your desk down to size.

How often do you come out of a meeting with a page of notes which all of a sudden lose all meaning, sense and relevance? Explore Mind Mapping as a new way to record thoughts and information for quick reference at any time in the future.

Remember those occasions when you have sat in a meeting and wondered where it is going? The Facilitation Skills workshop will help ensure focus is maintained and you can feel that the meetings you arrange can truly have impact.

How many good ideas have you had which will only succeed with the help of other organisations but whom you have no authority over. It is possible to "influence without authority" and we'll show you how.

Policy

We'll also bring you up-to-date on some current policy initiatives and give you something to apply your newly honed skills to.

Cost £30 per person

Includes all refreshments and lunch

Further details and an application form will be sent out shortly.

However you can register your interest now by contacting:

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Please be aware there are limited spaces, so book early!

