

Reversing The Decline in Part-Time Study: Offering Flexibility & Support to Improve Accessibility

Taking place in Central London | Thursday, 5th October 2017

11.00 Chair's Introduction

11.05 Understanding the recent decline

- The relationship between part-time study, accessibility & participation
- Delivering on commitments in access agreements
- Understanding reasons for the decline

⇒ **Professor Les Ebdon**, *Director of Fair Access to Higher Education*

11.45 Doing something about it

- Introducing maintenance loans for part-time learners & other Government actions
- Engaging potential part-time students & educating them about financial support available
- Making courses more flexible to fit the needs of part-time learners
- Proactive actions institutions can take to address other barriers to entry

13.15 Networking Lunch

14.00 Learning from leading institutions

- Changing organisational cultures & attitudes towards part-time learning
- Engaging & retaining part-time learners
- Providing a better offer for mature & part-time learners
- Developing & implementing processes to aid more flexible learning

15.30 Chair's Summary & Event Close

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