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New Public Sector Champion for Halton Business

Halton businesses have a new champion to help them win valuable public sector contracts.

He is Andrew Pladgeman, a founder member of the Halton Enterprise Board and a former senior manager with the global pensions company AEGON UK.

Halton Chamber of Commerce and Enterprise, in partnership with 'Enterprising Halton Programme', has just appointed him to a new post of Procurement Facilitator. Andrew, who has experience of working in both the public and private sectors, will be responsible for helping any local firm tender for goods and service contracts let by public sector organisations.

Andrew explained: "We want to see more businesses engaging with the public sector and more contracts won locally. Everybody we have spoken to on all sides is passionate about the need for success and people are starting to come together over key issues. We need to establish what opportunities exist and where, and how to turn those opportunities into a successful bid."

On Tuesday 27th October, Halton Chamber will be hosting a special breakfast briefing event at The Heath Business Park for local businesses to find out more. Halton Borough Council has been invited to explain about simplified tendering opportunities for council contracts and the North West Development Agency will be talking about how to win work with the 2012 Olympic Games.

This is the first in a series of procurement events and other opportunities will be presented over the next few months. For more information, visit the Halton Chamber website on www.haltonchamber.com.

Picture supplied: Andrew Pladgeman, new Procurement Facilitator with Halton Chamber of Commerce and Enterprise

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