



## Under Secretary for DWP visits local charity 17/06/08

*James Plaskitt MP, Under Secretary for the Department for Work and Pensions visits JobShop Hayes, P3's recruitment centre for young disadvantaged people looking for work and career prospects.*

On the 17<sup>th</sup> June 2008, James Plaskitt MP made a guest visit to P3's recruitment centre in Hayes town centre – Jobshop. Targeting 16-25 year olds in the London Borough of Hillingdon, JobShop works with young people at risk of social exclusion who may be experiencing a variety of factors preventing them from securing long term employment. Such hindrance may include low skills and education levels and disability. In partnership with a number of external agencies including Jobcentre Plus and BAA, Jobshop has made a name for itself in the local area as a first port of call for young people in need of work.

James Plaskitt, MP for Warwick and Leamington, who also holds a number of senior posts in Government, has a local connection to the borough after teaching for four years at Brunel University as a lecturer.

Martin Kinsella, P3's Chief Executive said "P3 is absolutely delighted that James Plaskitt MP came to see how P3 works in Hillingdon. This gave us the opportunity to show the Minister what talented and inspirational young people live in this borough and how through effective support and partnership working, we help them to fulfil and achieve their potential".

Mr. Plaskitt's visit highlighted the importance of effective and successful youth specific services that empower young people at risk of social exclusion and disadvantage. It also highlighted the work being done by voluntary organisations such as P3 in partnership with statutory services such as Jobcentre Plus. Affiliations like this are invaluable in giving young people the best opportunities for the high rates of success that formerly may have been unobtainable.

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