

## **SUSE ebulletin May 2011**

### SUSE GENERAL MEETING

The General Meeting is on June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 10.30-12.30am in Stirling, at the Council Chambers, Old Viewforth, FK8 2ET. A representative will attend from the Scottish Qualifications Authority because the Supported Employment Implementation Board of the Supported Employment Framework has discussed using the [LLUK NOS for advice and guidance](#) as a base for a Supported Employment Qualification. This involves consulting with stakeholders like SUSE members and mapping supported employment qualification materials against the components of NOS units.

### Office of Disability Issues is recruiting for service user involvement leaders

The ODI has launched a new initiative to encourage strong and sustainable disabled people's user-led organisations (ULOs).

It is investing £3million over the next four years in a multi-layered approach that aims to support ULOs, and is recruiting for a national lead post, ambassadors and experts.

<http://odi.dwp.gov.uk/odi-projects/user-led-organisations.php>

### Demonstration Site Employer Good Practice Case Study published online

A case study of employer good practice, developed from the Midlothian demonstration site has been published on the SUSE Learning Portal.

<http://learningsusescotland.co.uk>

### The Government is consulting on EHRC reform

The UK Government is consulting on the changes it is planning to make to the Equality and Human Rights Commission:

- Reducing what the EHRC's core functions will be
- Regulating to ensure the EHRC is achieving value for money.

You might have had contact with the EHRC and want to respond to the consultation, which is available at [http://www.equalities.gov.uk/what\\_we\\_do/ehrc\\_reform.aspx](http://www.equalities.gov.uk/what_we_do/ehrc_reform.aspx)

### Renew your membership with SUSE now

SUSE has been busy this year, launching the learning portal with tools and case studies for local areas; promoting supported employment's value to local authorities and wider partners; responding to developments in welfare reform and working with The Government to prepare a business case for supported employment. We have just begun a process of rejuvenating the Business Diversity Awards, and expect soon to have a suite of training courses. Please download this year's membership form from the website and join or rejoin now. <http://www.susescotland.co.uk/1573.aspx>

Members will receive a printed copy of the European Union of Supported Employment Toolkit.