

12th June, 2012

Dear Colleague,

Training Partners Lunch

On behalf of Jeff Lewis, President of Manchester Law Society and Nick Davenport, Chair of our Legal Education Committee I would like to invite you to join us at a lunch with Manchester Law Society and some of our partners on Tuesday, 26th June, 2012. The lunch is being hosted by Natwest at their head office in Spinningfields Square on Deansgate.

We are hoping that this lunch will give us the chance to tell you what Manchester Law Society are doing, to hear what you are doing, to meet some of our partners and for you to network with other training partners.

There is a lot of talk in the sector at the moment about legal apprenticeships. Several firms have launched apprenticeship programmes over the past year or so and the range of qualifications and support available to law firms is growing.

Working with the National Apprenticeship Service and specialist provider Damar Training we are hoping to generate 100 opportunities for apprentices in the legal sector in 2012. We would like to give you the opportunity to find out more about apprenticeships in the legal sector, including the funding support available.

We will also be discussing with you our new cost effective online CPD training solution, which is offered through a range of high quality materials. Lawyers can earn CPD through our online core programmes at a time and place convenient to them, and you get access to online training solutions for your whole firm - from fee-earners to support staff, with a wide range of programmes enabling your partners, fee earners and staff to tailor training to suit their legal specialism.

The details and agenda are as follows:

Venue: Natwest, 1 Spinningfields Square, Deansgate, Manchester, M3 3AP (opposite Brazennose Street and next to Armani and John Rylands Library)

Date: Tuesday, 26th June, 2012

Time: 12.00 - 12.30, Registration and buffet lunch

12.30 - 1.00, Speakers

Welcome from Nick Davenport, Chair, Legal Education Committee, Manchester Law Society

- Linda Stokes, Employer Services Manager, National Apprenticeship Service.
- Jonathan Bourne, Managing Director, Damar Training.
- Caroline Calverley, Practice Manager, Chafes Solicitors LLP
- Michelle Jarvis, College of Law Media

Close and thanks from Jeff Lewis, President, Manchester Law Society

1.00 - 2.00, Networking

We really hope that you are able to join us and I would be grateful if you could let me know if you are able to attend by either completing the reply slip or contacting my colleague, Hannah Kershaw on 0161 241 7471 or at HannahKershaw@manchesterlawsociety.org.uk

If you are unable to attend but would like more details on the above and what the Society is doing I would be more than happy to arrange to meet with you for coffee and a chat. Please give me a ring on 0161 241 7470 to arrange diaries!

Warmest Regards

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