**AN OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE:**

**THE GREATER LINCOLNSHIRE ENTERPRISE ADVISER NETWORK**

The Greater Lincolnshire LEP, working in partnership with the Careers and Enterprise Company, is developing an Enterprise Adviser Network. The Network aims to bridge the gap between education and business, enabling Enterprise Advisers, volunteers from business, to work directly with careers leads and senior leadership teams in secondary schools in Lincolnshire. The EAN aims to support schools to develop their careers and enterprise opportunities and increase the number of encounters students have with employers and the world of work.

**What is an Enterprise Adviser?**

Enterprise Advisers are senior business volunteers who work closely with a local school to help develop a practical careers plan, supporting the school to consider increased opportunities for different kinds of employer and enterprise encounters.

**Being an Enterprise Adviser is great opportunity to:**

* use your experience and network to inspire young people and directly contribute to their experience and knowledge of the world of work
* develop your interpersonal and strategic skills and gain new experiences as a role model to young people in your area
* deepen your connection to the local community and the future labour market
* strengthen your company’s profile and reputation
* support your Corporate Social Responsibility contributions

**Main purpose of the role:**

As an Enterprise Adviser you will work with a Careers Lead, with support from the Senior Leadership Team (SLT) in a school, to support the development of a careers plan that will give students multiple opportunities to learn about work. This role is the perfect opportunity to share your insights about job opportunities and the key skills that local and national businesses need, and to use our research to choose the most effective careers programme providers and resources for the school you are working with.

**Skills and expertise:**

* Be drawn from different industry sectors and professional backgrounds, be that employed, self-employed or recently retired
* Be passionate about motivating young people, supporting independent choice, and supporting positive outcomes for young people
* Be motivated to lead engagement with schools in the local area and help them understand how effectively they are motivating young people and preparing them for the world of work

**If you would like to find out more or to become an Enterprise Adviser in your area please contact:**

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