

# How can housing providers help get the nation learning?

Wednesday 13 May 2026 | 1pm-2pm | [Zoom](#)

## Event description

This online workshop will explore the role housing providers can play in boosting adult participation in learning and removing barriers to learning and training opportunities for their residents and communities. This session follows the success of housing providers at the 2025 Get the Nation Learning Awards – the biggest celebration of lifelong learning in England. It provides an opportunity to learn from good practice and discuss how the housing sector can improve understanding of its current and potential role in unlocking learning opportunities for people from all backgrounds.

## Participation in the workshop

Ahead of the session, you are encouraged to come ready to actively participate in an open and collaborative discussion. Please reflect on your own experiences and challenges in supporting learning within your communities and consider any questions you would like to ask. This is an opportunity to share insights, learn from peers and contribute to a practical conversation on how we can break down barriers and expand access to lifelong learning.

## Speakers

- Aaron Revel, Head of Lifelong Learning, Learning and Work Institute (Chair)
- Natalie Samuels, Employment and Skills Team Leader, MSV Housing
- Tanzeem Ahmed, Assistant Director – Employment & Training, Poplar HARCA
- Evelina Sredovska, Economic Inclusion Lead, Peabody

## Agenda

13:00 – 13:05	Welcome and introduction	Aaron Revel
13:05 – 13:12	Presentation from Natalie Samuels (MSV Housing): Tackling inequalities and breaking down barriers to learning	
13:12 – 13:19	Presentation from Tanzeem Ahmed (Poplar HARCA): Building stronger more resilient communities through lifelong learning	
13:19 – 13:26	Presentation from Evelina Sredovska (Peabody): Growing aspirations and demand for learning amongst residents	
13:26 – 13:35	Questions to presenters	Chair: Aaron Revel
13:35 – 13:55	Interactive discussion	
13:55 – 14:00	Final remarks and next steps	Aaron Revel

For any questions about the event, please contact [events@learningandwork.org.uk](mailto:events@learningandwork.org.uk)