

**INVITATION: HAVE YOUR SAY ON THE FUTURE OF ENGLISH FOR
SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES (ESOL)**

Department for
**Innovation,
Universities &
Skills**

Date: Tuesday 1st April 2008

Time: 10.00 – 16.00

Location: Peterborough

Venue: Deafblind UK Conference Centre

Dear Colleague

As you may be aware, a major consultation on focusing English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) on community cohesion is currently underway. We would very much value your input into this important debate.

The Government is committed to fostering cohesion in all our communities and ESOL provision is clearly a key contribution.

We want to hear what you and your organisation think of the proposals and arguments put forward in our consultation document for more targeted ESOL funding. If you are able to attend this event we will send you a copy of the document. Alternatively, if you are unable to attend, you can respond to the consultation online at www.esolconsultation.org.uk.

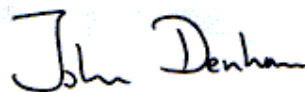
This event is one of a number we are holding across England. We have already discussed the policy intentions of this proposition with key stakeholders and the independent ESOL Advisory Forum. We now want to engage much more widely with citizens and stakeholders. This event will offer an opportunity for participants to voice their views.

Please note that places at these events are by invitation only and will be allocated on a first come first serve basis **so please sign up as soon as possible** at:

www.coievents.co.uk/esolconsultation_peterborough.

If you have any queries please contact Central Office of Information (COI) on 020 7261 8400.

We look forward to hearing from you.



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