



**Access to Higher Education Supporting Practice Event
Series Spring 2012
Friday 20th April, Plymouth University**

The National Education Opportunities Network (NEON) is the new national professional organisation supporting widening access practice. We are pleased to announce our first series of regional events that aimed at colleagues working on access to HE from HE, FE, schools and other interested parties.

9.45 Registration

10.15: Welcome: *Vanessa Fitzgerald, Plymouth University.*

10.20: Introduction to NEON: *Dr. Graeme Atherton, NEON.*

10.45: Session 1

From Aimhigher to Access Agreements: How HEIs are widening access in 2012
Emma Stephenson, University of Exeter and Stella Lees, University of Bournemouth.

OR

How can schools support widening access to Higher Education?
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11.35: Session 2

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OR

Further Education Colleges, The Future for Widening Access, *Liz Myles, City College Plymouth.*

12.25 Lunch

1.10: Session 3

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OR

Helping students deal with cost: What tools are available? *Nick Brown, The Brightside Trust.*

2.00: Panel Discussion

Collaboration and Widening Access in the South West to include
Higher Education Funding Council (HEFCE) and Office for Fair Access (OFFA).

Attendance at the event costs £95. To register either complete the booking form or go to our website where you can also learn more about NEON, register for our mailing list and become involved in what we plan to do go to **www.educationopportunities.co.uk** or e-mail us at **contact@educationopportunities.co.uk**.