

**Expression of interest for position of Co-Chair for the Provider
Engagement Locality Groups**

Please complete and return by post or e-mail by the 14th November 2008.

Name – Malcolm O’Dea

Organisation – Home Farm Trust

Service Area – Devon

Locality Area that you wish to Co-Chair – South and West

In no more than 200 words please state what you feel you can bring to the role of Co-Chair and why your colleagues should vote for you.

I am an experienced social care manager and I have managed many different services, including residential, day services and I have also developed a number of services for adults with learning disabilities. In addition to this I can tell you that I have managed in the voluntary, private and statutory sectors of social care and this has given me a broad understanding of the issues facing provider services, particularly with the changes to how social care will be funded and individual budgets.

My qualifications support these experiences, for example I have a BA (Hons) Professional Studies; learning difficulties from Manchester University and most recently I graduated from Liverpool Hope University with a Master of Business Administration.

My experiences and qualifications give me a unique insight to the operational and business challenges facing provider organisations.