



# Researching FE – Priorities for the Future

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# Exploring the unknown?



- **Governance and the Big Society**
- **Leadership and Management at a time of recession**
- **The teacher learner relationship in the world of technology**
- **The classroom of tomorrow**
- **Supporting full-time workers studying part-time HE**
- **Learning in the workplace**
- **Sharing services – models of effective practice**

# Exploring the unknown?



- **The effects of the environment on learning – new builds = new results?**
- **Bridging the school college gap**
- **The effectiveness of schools' career advice**
- **The relationship between self assessment/peer review and Ofsted inspection reports**
- **The development of transferable skills in vocational provision**
- **Apprenticeships – what makes them successful?**

# Exploring the unknown?



- **Measuring the impact of college and work based learning programmes**
- **The role of Adult and Community Learning in early and later retirement**
- **The role of colleges in the long term support of students with special educational needs**
- **Colleges as businesses – the opportunities and the caveats**
- **Making money from education**
- **The value of training for employers**
- **Federations and mergers – Cost benefit analyses**

# Support from LSIS



- **Direct support grants (LSIS Research Fellows)**
- **Partial Support for university fees (Master's level) with an approved thesis in priority areas**
- **Forming communities of practice**
- **Establishing a research chair?**
- **Creating an on-line research library**



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