

‘Development Opportunities’ for the Westbury Community. Bulletin 3 – July 2023.

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Welcome to the third Development Bulletin. Your comments and suggestions about development in the Westbury area have been most welcome and where possible, will be acted upon

As you may realise it takes a lot of funding to design organise and implement the myriad support projects needed for all ages that currently take place or are about to be put into motion in the Westbury area. Fortunately, we have many resources and sources that can be called upon some free, but most not.

A once-a-month Crafts workshop lasting for one year can cost as much as £300 per session. For 12 sessions, an overall cost of £3.6k. Add in all the other components including equipment refreshment management, location hire, workshop leaders, vol’s and transportation etc and one is looking at a cost of at least £10k to cover a year’s worth of workshops.

There are a number of ways **residents can help** to finance and build the funding to ensure that needed projects get off the ground and remain sustainable.

Business sponsorship – Sponsor an entire project or team up.

Advertising -Take out a business card ad.

Purchase a community lottery ticket. See how on the community website.

Web www.lpcwestbury.org.uk

Donations – Could be cash or kit.

Bequeathments

Join the ‘Communteers Voluntary Support Group’.

Fund raising events. Run one yourself or join one of the Centre events. Perhaps Bingo, an indoor/outdoor boot sale, a movie night or dance, and so on.

If you would like to join the fund raising team chat with the Centre Manager Debbie. Telephone 01373 825774. Email: office@lpcwestbury.org.uk

Working together Westbury can have the best Community Programme in the country.



Careers and Apprenticeships - Support and Information

The apprenticeships information in the Development Bulletins appears to have caught the eye, so here is more to get the juices flowing.

Apprenticeships - working with animals.

The RSPCA is of course recognised as a top-notch organisation throughout the UK and beyond and offers a wide variety of apprenticeship opportunities such as:

Animal collection officer (ACO) - Animal Care Assistant

Brief job description:

Making sure the animals in Centres are all cared for until they're re-homed.

A vital role in keeping Centres running smoothly - animal care assistants keep animals happy whilst in care, helping people who are looking to re-home an animal.



You would work with many different types of animals, not just cats and dogs - so each day will be different from the next.

Although you'll get to do enjoyable jobs like feeding animals, you'll also have to do the mucky stuff like cleaning where the animals live. However, this is only part of the job and there are still other fun parts of the job such as exercising, getting animals socialising and grooming the domestic animals. You'll also perform health checks and give medical treatment.

Do you need a degree in animal care?

You won't need a degree in animal care, so if you're looking to start your career working with animals then this could be the perfect job for you.

Required is GCSE qualifications or equivalent. You can also volunteer to start getting yourself experience in animal care. Some of our volunteers have gone on to apprenticeship roles within our charity.

Get started as an animal care volunteer.

Get the chance to cat cuddle, dog walk or get hands-on in one of our animal hospitals or centres.



Ref: <https://www.rspca.org.uk/utilities/jobs/apprenticeships> - 23rd June 2022

Royal Air Force Apprenticeships.

AIRCRAFT TECHNICIAN (AVIONICS) - CURRENTLY RECRUITING



As an Aircraft Technician (Avionics) you will keep our aircraft airborne by carrying out maintenance and repair work on the sophisticated electronic and on-board avionics.

PAY DURING FIRST SIX MONTHS

£16,235 + Benefits

PAY UNTIL COMPLETION OF PHASE TWO TRAINING

£20,650 + Benefits

APPLICANTS MUST:

Be aged 16 + (Applications can be submitted from age 15 years and 9 months)

GCSE Grade C/4-5 or equivalent, or SCE Standard Grades at Grade 2/Scottish National 5 (Grade A – C) in English, Maths and an approved Science/Technology-based subject



You must be a citizen of the United Kingdom or dual UK/Other nationality.

Commit to minimum 3 years post Phase Two Training

Pass the Defence Aptitude Assessment

Pass a Fitness Test - Details below.

WEAPON TECHNICIAN

As a Weapon Technician, you will be in charge of maintaining and managing weapons and explosives, making sure they're ready at a moment's notice. These include aircraft bombs, smart weapons, missiles, ammunition, and individual weapons.



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QUALIFICATIONS - Grade C (Grade 4 to 5 with effect from Aug 17) or equivalent in English language, Mathematics or SCE Standard Grades at Grade 2/Scottish National 5 in English, Mathematics, and an approved Science/Technology-based subject



Ref: <https://recruitment.raf.mod.uk/apprenticeships> - 23rd June 2022

Culinary Arts - Cook, eat, meet, and enjoy!

Thought about this aspect of development is being rolled around grey matter at this time. Initially this part of the 2023/24 programme is for those 18 + to learn about the eating habits of the world and learn how to prepare a wide variety of dishes. Some examples below. It is thought that 9 x 2-hour workshops over 11 months may take place from October '23.

Your ideas and thoughts would be useful to ascertain needs and ambitions ref this project.

Please insert those in the 'Expression of Interest' at the end of the Bulletin or talk to Debbie, Manager LPCC

French Cuisine



Chinese Cuisine



Japanese Cuisine



Indian Cuisine



Italian Cuisine



Greek Cuisine



Spanish Cuisine



Mediterranean Cuisine



Lebanese Cuisine



Moroccan Cuisine



Turkish Cuisine



Nepalese Cuisine



Apprenticeship – Motivation, Information, Access, and Opportunities.



Many forums and individual face to face sessions with young people have taken place since 2011, the results of which will be explored, with solutions to challenges and gaps to be met.

Too many forums and face to face meetings reveal that young people don't just lack support to help them determine a way forward, direction is lacking in many cases.

The reality is that asking a young person of 15 years old what career path they wish to follow is daunting to say the least; furthermore, who knows what they really want to do when they are 15 years old, and what have they been exposed to work and career wise to help them make such an important choice.

There are several very important questions we ask of students, those being,

- What carer will you be choosing?
- How much do you know about your choice?
- What other options have you looked at?
- How much research into careers have you done?
- What are the prospects for promotion and higher pay?
- What educational benefits come with the apprenticeship?
- What will your monthly bills amount to if and when you leave home?
- What opportunities exist in your chosen career locally?
- Could you run your own business and how?
- Could you do 'shadow' work of a number of different professions and trades over a year or more. A week's work experience of one thing, we were told, is not enough to help make choices.
- What academic, practical, and social skills do you need to possess for your chosen profession?



There were many more questions asked but these are a few of those repeated often.

LPCC and the Westbury Community Volunteers Group will be working with local Careers Officers, Job Centres, and relevant support agencies to ensure that young people get the fullest information, the best guidance, and a wide choice of opportunities.

This specific and targeted work will enhance the Apprenticeships Workshops programme currently being run by LPCC.

To make this project a success will require good and sustainable funding. If you feel you would like to support this programme financially, please talk with Debbie.

'Military, trades, Accounting, Sports, Heritage, entertainment, hospitality, medical, animals, space etc'. 'Examine and explore all of the choices'.

Young people need guidance and support let's make sure they get it, in abundance!

Apprenticeships Expression of Interest Form (EIO)

Name: _____ Age _____

I am interested in: _____

Parents/Adult's Signature: _____ Parent's/Adult's Email: _____

*** (Parent's signature required if EIO is for a person 15 years or younger)

*** A typed signature will suffice as this is not an official registration form.

Return to Debbie at the Leigh Park Community Centre, or email to:

dcole@lpccwestbury.org.uk

General 'Expression of Interest' Form (EIO)

Name: _____ Age _____

I am interested in: _____

Parents/Adult's Signature: _____ Parent's/Adult's Email: _____

*** (Parent's signature required if EIO is for a person 15 years or younger)

*** A typed signature will suffice as this is not an official registration form.

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Advertising

Would you like to advertise here? Send your advert to office@lpccwestbury.org.uk once your advert has been received and paid for it will be inserted into the next Bulletin

Size	Per month	Per year (buy 10 get 2 free)
Business card (85x55mm)	£5	£50
Quarter page (A6)	£10	£100
Half page (A5)	£15	£150
Whole page (A4)	£20	£200



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BUSINESS LINKS WESTBURY

FREE OPEN BUSINESS NETWORKING EVENT

TUESDAY 11TH JULY 2023
6:30-8:00PM

COME AND JOIN US AND SEE HOW MEMBERSHIP
COULD HELP YOUR BUSINESS GROW

BUSINESS LINKS WESTBURY
MEETING AT: THE LOUNGE, LEIGH PARK COMMUNITY CENTRE
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