

Thurston Parish Council

Title: Senior Detached Youth Worker

Location: Thurston, near Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk

Salary:

Hours: 7 hours per week (evenings and possibly some weekends)

Contract: Initially fixed term for 2 years (End date needed here)

Job Summary

This post is 7 hours per week - evenings and possibly some weekends

The Senior Detached Youth Worker role will work within the village of Thurston providing detached youth work support to young people aged 11 - 19 (school years 7 - 13) . The role will work with young people in the area to develop relationships, better understand their needs, to offer information, support, guidance and opportunities. Sometimes link where appropriate with other agencies. To work with young people to empower them to improve community cohesion in the area.

Full Advert

This is a new project, initially to run for 2 years as a pilot. It is a very exciting and rewarding opportunity to join a new detached team in Thurston. The team will consist of the Senior Detached Youth Worker and at least two volunteers to work alongside. The team will provide support, information and guidance to young people through a detached youth work model.

As a Senior Detached Youth Worker you will work as part of a small team of youth workers, working with young people on the streets in their territory.

The Senior Detached Youth Worker will also be responsible for mentoring the volunteers, ensuring that Policy and Procedures are adhered to. Ensuring that recording and reporting is undertaken.

You will develop links with other organisations in the near community in order to help meet the needs of the young people and community; to provide a holistic programme of work; whilst also addressing barriers some young people may face.

Experience of working with young people would be desirable but not essential.

Required skills include:

excellent interpersonal / communication skills with the ability to relate to and enthuse young people.

the ability to work independently and as part of a team

the ability to assess the needs of young people and develop appropriate programme of work

a high level personal resilience, including the ability to manage conflict and deal with stressful situations.

willingness to undertake necessary training

Thorough pre-employment screening is undertaken during the recruitment process.

The potholder will be required to complete an application for Disclosure of Criminal Records.