



Bookham Sessional Youth Worker advert

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About Leatherhead Youth Project (LYP)

LYP is a local youth charity with a Christian ethos. Launched in 2005, LYP provides youth-work services for disadvantaged and vulnerable young people in our community. We currently have 11 staff who support over 600 young people in Leatherhead, Bookham and across Mole Valley through our 20 innovative projects which include:

- BFree, our drop-in centre in Leatherhead open 5 days a week for local young people
- BYouth, our drop-in hub in Bookham, open twice a week for local young people
- One to One counselling and emotional wellbeing sessions
- Evening youth clubs providing targeted youth work and meals
- Careers advice and employment support for young people aged 16-24
- Christian faith groups
- Outdoor learning activities
- Residential trips

Location

The position will be based at St. Nicolas Pastoral Centre until a permanent space is found to replace Bookham Youth and Community Centre. The role will also include some remote work around the local community.

Hours of work

This position is term time only and requires 10 working hours across the week, including two evenings. Currently the sessional youth worker will be required to be available on Mondays from 3:30 to 9pm and Fridays from 3:30 to 7pm and these timings are non-negotiable. This may also include additional time for occasional meetings for Line Management and preparation.

Salary

£11.80 per hour for 10 hours each week.

Contract and start date: This is a permanent position and the start date is negotiable.

Training

Safeguarding training and other youth work training will be provided, as well as ongoing support and supervision from the project leader and LYP team.

Application Process

To request an application form, please email jenny@leatherheadyouthproject.com

- Closing date for applications is 5pm on Thursday 23rd March 2023.

Sessional Youth Worker

Job Description

Purpose of Role

In 2016 LYP launched Bookham Youth Project to re-launch youth activities in Bookham Youth Centre and elsewhere in the community to provide innovative and transformative youth work.

LYP is looking for an enthusiastic and passionate Sessional Youth Worker to support the youth work programme in Bookham. This role will involve engaging local young people aged 11-18 from Bookham in afternoon and evening youth club sessions and activities which build their confidence and respond to local needs. The core work will include being a vital part of the BYouth team in Bookham, in addition to supporting the project leader with delivering BYouth and evening projects.

Main Duties and Responsibilities

- To support the successful running of BYouth sessions in Bookham and help ensure quality youth work is delivered.
- To build positive, supportive relationships with young people to help raise their confidence and grow as individuals.
- Support the project leader with engaging young people in making sure their views are heard and that BYouth sessions are shaped by them.
- To bring creativity and ideas to the role, in order to create new activities which may benefit young people.
- Comply with LYP safeguarding policies and procedures.
- To support the project leader with running our evening youth work sessions, Connect and Explore. This will include cooking meals and also provide development opportunities such as planning content.

Person specification

Education and Experience

- Relevant youth work experience is desirable

Knowledge

- Understanding of the issues that affect the lives of young people
- Understanding of effective youth work approaches
- Knowledge of appropriate child protection/safeguarding procedures

Skills and Attributes

- Enthusiasm and passion for working with young people
- Ability to relate to young people from a range of backgrounds, ethnicities and faiths
- Ability to manage and support young people with challenging behaviour
- Ability to work as part of a team
- Strong communication skills
- Ability to problem solve, innovate, plan, organise, overcome barriers and implement solutions effectively in partnership with service users
- Good inter-personal skills
- Ability to motivate and support colleagues

Other

- A Christian faith is a genuine occupational requirement for this role, due to the leadership of a faith group.
- This post is subject to a DBS check with additional satisfactory references.
- Having a UK driving licence and access to a car is desirable for this role.