

## Get CSR Connected CIC - Team Community Days

### Team Building Projects in your Community

#### Our Ethos and Approach

**Get Connected is a non-profit**, registered social enterprise and our purpose is to raise awareness and encourage active involvement in responsible business.

**We support team building group events** to provide the opportunity for companies and community organisations to work together. We want to enable projects to be completed that really benefit communities and particularly the individuals within them.

**We like to encourage greater connection** between local companies and their local communities. Our Team Community Days have been developed to support local companies engage their employees whilst also providing the manpower to complete much needed community projects.



**Here at Get Connected** we pride ourselves on approaching and delivering all our services with honesty, integrity and a partnership focus, ensuring both companies and community organisations get what they want from completing a project organised by us.

**We visit all community organisations** and projects prior to them being added to our list. Part of this process is to ensure projects are feasible, realistic and community organisations are committed. We select projects where organisations have the capacity and are willing to support a team of people.

**We spend time supporting local community organisations** to be very clear about their ethos and the benefits each project will bring to them or indeed the whole community. This is to enable your team to really connect with the difference they would be making, meet their objectives – and for the organisations to get the most from your manpower!

**We do charge fees** for our Community Days and this is currently £32 (+VAT) per head. This cost covers the following:

- **Projects** – sourcing and providing project opportunities (including visiting & vetting all organisations to ensure they are appropriate/realistic). This provides community organisations the opportunity to submit and receive support from us to submit their projects (free of charge). If you're a member, we provide additional resources annually to proactively source projects to meet your specific objectives and needs;
- **Event organisation (companies)** - support you to pull everything together for your day, including guidelines to support you to organise your team for the day and logistics between you and the organisation (including how your team will be supported on the day). For larger teams of 50 plus we can provide additional resource support on the day (if necessary). We also provide a brief/itinerary for the team, badges and organise a celebration with certificates!
- **Event organisation (community organisation)** - we support your partner community organisation to ensure you have what you need on the day, including realistic/achievable project details, varied/challenging work, materials (where applicable) and support on the day. This can include different projects on the same or different sites if necessary;



- **Facilitation** - we facilitate the relationship with your chosen organisation, including ensuring they have the capacity, commitment and skills to support you. We also ensure organisations have appropriate safeguarding processes are in place (where applicable);
- **PR activities** – we organise PR activities if you (or your chosen organisation) would like them, including press releases, videos and photos. All completed projects are also published on our website. If you are a member we will setup a dedicated page on our website for your company with all your projects;
- **Celebration** – we always encourage projects to have a celebration! We can organisation plaques to commemorate the occasion and we also provide each member of the team with a certificate to acknowledge them for their valued contribution (this is usually very popular!).

### Safeguarding/Insurance

Where vulnerable individuals are on the project premises, the majority of community organisations we work with choose not to complete criminal checking. This is because teams are only on site for 1 day or less and supervised (we insist on this). All arrangements around safeguarding measures would be agreed as part of each individual project process.

We normally encourage community organisations to include their students/clients in the project as this provides more of a connection, engaging teams in the organisation and building valuable relationships.

It is essential that your team have employer’s liability insurance, this usually covers employees for completing basic off site outdoor/indoor activities during work hours. We would assess with you any limitations or restrictions that need to be in place for the use of tools/equipment.

### Teams/Skills

We would always encourage you to use your community day as a team building opportunity. It can also make the management of the day much easier for all parties if teams have nominated leaders. If you would like to focus on particular skills and/or organise yourselves to achieve particular team building objectives, we can of course support you to do this.

### Tools/Materials

We do, in most cases, ask teams to bring their own tools. This is to save community organisations and you the cost of buying or hiring tools for one day. Most teams are happy to do this and may bring items from home. With larger projects, teams sometimes choose to hire tools as this can be much more efficient. Some community organisations may ask for a contribution for materials cost, however this is optional. If you are able to contribute to the cost of materials this is much appreciated and will provide much needed additional support for the organisation you are working with.



### Booking

Our booking process is very simple. You can peruse and select from our current list of community project opportunities or we can find a project specific to meet your needs. Once you’ve selected a project, we always like to do an initial site visit with you. This is to enable you to meet representatives from your chosen organisation and, with our support, agree an outline for your event. To book your project and event date with us, we do ask for advance payment from you to secure your booking.

**If you have any questions or would like to peruse our current list of community projects, please do contact us:**

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