



Role Profile:

Digital, Design &
Technology
Coordinator

INSPIRE
An OnSide Youth Zone



ROLE PROFILE

POST:

Digital, Design & Technology Coordinator
(Makers Zone)

SALARY:

Up to £26,500 (dependent upon experience)

LOCATION:

Inspire Youth Zone, Chorley

REPORTING TO:

Play Work Manager

CONTRACT:

Fixed Term: 36 Months initially: Full-time, 37.5 hours per week - To be reviewed.

BENEFITS:

3% matched contribution pension; 33 days holiday inclusive of Bank Holidays + birthday leave



INSPIRE YOUTH ZONE

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That is why Inspire Youth Zone won't just be a place to go - but a place to grow. That is the power of exceptional youth work.

Check out our why work for us page

<https://www.inspireyouthzone.org/get-involved/>

THE ROLE

We are looking for a passionate and dedicated individual to shape and create a brand new, first-class Makers Zone Space for the young people of Chorley aged 8 – 19 years old (25 with disabilities).

Making, alongside sport, the arts and health/ Wellbeing is at the heart of Inspire Youth Zone's offer to young people. The purpose built 'Makers Zone' offers a wide range of technical and creative opportunities for young people including, 3D printing, coding, electronics & programming, STEM, moulding & casting and much more. Together with our partners The Making Rooms – (an organisation dedicated to creative and technical training), you will help develop and deliver a diverse and exciting programme of activities aimed at young people aged 8 to 25 years, that stimulates, develops and meets the needs of young people from all backgrounds and abilities. You will utilise creativity and technical problem solving in the wider youth work agenda supporting and encouraging young people to express themselves, develop their technical abilities and facilitate personal development by developing their skills through positive engagement and experiences.

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

- To schedule, design, coordinate and deliver a comprehensive making and digital programme for young people aged 8 to 25 at Inspire Youth Zone which will enable them to build their confidence, creative and technical skills, social skills and overall wellbeing.
- To deliver sessions in the Makers Zone, 3.5 evenings per week (includes 1 weekend shift) delivering a safe programme of youth work that meets the needs of the current young people attending.
- To line management the Makers Zone and creative team, recruiting, training and providing guidance, support and coaching so their delivery meets our quality assurance framework standards.
- To support the development, implementation, and review of the of the Maker Zone offer by ensuring the programme is safe, creative, fun, challenging and contributes to the development and growth of young people, and especially confidence, social skills, resilience, health, and aspiration.
- Provide a universal service to all children and young people that is well marketed and reaches across the borough to ensure membership is reflective of local demographics, promoting social mix within the sessions.
- To ensure that the programme is high quality and meets the needs of the young people, including young people with additional needs and disabilities and young people who may typically not engage in these activities.
- To ensure that the programme contributes to the wider youth work agenda, supporting the development of personal and creative skills of young people.
- To ensure all sessions are equipped with a range of resources and activities to engage, develop, and inform young people.
- To ensure all programme delivery is safe and risk assessed.
- To organise events, challenges, competitions and showcases, both internally and externally on a regular basis.
- To support the promotion plan and work in the community to attract young people.
- To motivate, encourage and support young people to participate fully in sessions.
- To network with local appropriate groups and community providers and other partner organisations to develop joint working programmes.
- To monitor, record and evaluate the Makers Zone programme, providing reports and information as required to ensure a consistently high-quality youth work provision and demonstrate the impact of the Youth Zone
- To ensure all funded programmes are managed and reported on to a high standard and timescales are met
- In conjunction with other partners, identify, support and develop talented young people.
- To work closely with our partner organisation, The Making Rooms, to feedback about the delivery of the programme, and engage with the other Making Zone leads from other Youth Zones.
- To maintain a comprehensive and detailed up-to-date inventory of all equipment owned and/or used by the Makers Zone departments.
- Carry out any other reasonable duties as requested by management.
- To work with the DSO and DDSO in safeguarding children and young people by;
 - Ensuring that you fully understand and implement all the roles and responsibilities in relation to safeguarding children and young people
 - Ensuring that staff and volunteers maintain standards and contribute toward the safeguarding policy and procedure of Inspire Youth Zone, in particular safeguarding issues and themes facing young people are raised and addressed.
- To manage and monitor the budget allocated to the Makers Zone programme effectively and efficiently.
- This role involves regular evening and weekend working.
- The ability and willingness to travel to meetings and events both in the region and beyond.
- To adhere to IYZ policies at all times, with reference to Health and Safety, Safeguarding and Equal Opportunities.

BEHAVIOURS

- Be a role model for young people and present a positive “can do” attitude
- Take personal responsibility for your own actions
- Commit to a culture of continuous improvement
- Work within the performance framework of Inspire Youth Zone and OnSide
- Represent Inspire Youth Zone positively and effectively in all dealings with internal and external stakeholders
- Comply with all policies and procedures, with particular reference to safeguarding, codes of conduct, health and safety and equality and diversity to ensure all activities are safe and accessible.
- Lead and assist with any promotional activities and visits that take place at Inspire Youth Zone and surrounding area, particularly those involving young people.

Applicants will be expected to demonstrate the experience, skills, abilities and attributes listed.

SELECTION CRITERIA	REQUIREMENT
EXPERIENCE	
Experience of delivering creative and technical activities with a knowledge of traditional, digital, and sustainable methods and in line with relevant guidance and good practice, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Programming & electronics. - Moulding & casting. - 3d printing - Coding 	Essential
Proven experience of working with young people ages 8 – 19 (up to 25 for those with additional needs) in a range of settings.	Essential
Proven experience of engaging vulnerable, disengaged, or hard to reach young people in arts activities.	Desirable
Experience of line managing a staff team and supporting volunteers	Desirable
Experience of completing reports in line with funding, contract and manager requirements and maintaining up to date recording of information	Desirable
Experience of working in partnership with a range of stakeholders.	Desirable
Experience managing and leading projects and accreditations such as ASDAN	Desirable
SKILLS, KNOWLEDGE, AND ATTRIBUTES	
Excellent communication skills to deliver activity programme to a wide range of young people	Essential
Knowledge and experience of digital creativity and how to teach these skills to children and young people.	Essential
Strong commitment to young people and ability to engage and build positive relationships with disengaged young people	Essential
Ability to plan and lead on makers Zone events, such as exhibitions, Hackathons, and celebrations for young people.	Desirable
Ability to motivate and engage staff, volunteers and young people in physical and computer-based activities.	Essential
Experience of compiling Risk Assessments and Health and Safety management	Desirable
Ability to self-motivate and work to set deadlines to meet project targets	Essential
Ability to work on own initiative and make decisions under pressure.	Essential
QUALIFICATIONS AND TRAINING	
Working towards or achieved qualification in computer science, engineering or a similar pathway	Desirable
GCSE or equivalent literacy and numeracy	Essential
Willingness to undertake further training as required	Essential
Personal	
A willingness to work flexible hours	Essential
A willingness to cover events, holidays, and staff absence	Essential
SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS	
Positive and enthusiastic	Essential
Punctual & reliable	Essential
Committed to Inspire Youth Zone values	Essential
Committed to personal and professional development	Essential
Genuine belief in making a difference to the lives of young people	Essential
DBS clearance and committed to Safeguarding children	Essential

GENERAL INFORMATION

The normal hours of work are 37.5 per week. These hours include mandatory evenings and weekends shifts

APPLICATION PROCESS

To apply, please email a CV to ryan.powell@inspireyouthzone.org, together with a concise covering letter setting out your reasons for applying for this position. In accordance with our Child Protection and Safeguarding procedures, this position requires an Enhanced DBS check.

For information regarding how OnSide processes your data, go to [OnSide Youth Zones Job Applicant Privacy Notice - OnSide Youth Zones](#)

CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS:

Friday 7th July 2023

Application deadline will close early dependant on number of candidates

INTERVIEW OVERVIEW:

Week of Monday 10th July



The strength of OnSide comes from the diversity of the people within our vibrant network. We are proud that our Youth Zone teams reflect the communities they serve, and we value people working together from a range of different backgrounds, locally and nationally, and with different experiences, all with a shared passion for boosting the aspirations of young people across the country. Diversity brings innovation, fresh ideas and creativity, and we actively strive to create a culture that is truly inclusive and fair for all and where everyone in the team can be themselves and thrive.



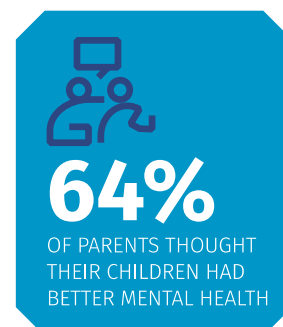
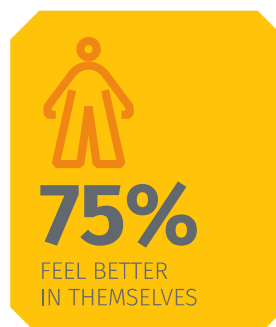
PROVEN IMPACT



GIVE YOUNG PEOPLE A SAFE EXCITING PLACE TO GO TO HAVE FUN,
BUILD THEIR SOCIAL NETWORKS AND SUPPORT THEIR PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT



HELP YOUNG PEOPLE LEAD HEALTHIER, HAPPIER LIVES



WORKING FOR INSPIRE



Onsite fitness
gym/boxing



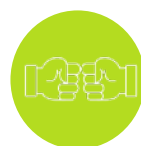
33 days
annual leave
(pro rata)



Convenient
location, easily
accessible



Employee
Benefit
Programme*



Partnership
working



Learning and
development
opportunities



Flexible
working



Pension
scheme



Part of a
wider network



Branded
workwear



Working with
like-minded
people and
cultures



Covid related
absence and
special leave

WORKING FOR INSPIRE

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OUR VISION

A charity at the centre of our community, a place where young people can be safe, be inspired and have fun!

OUR MISSION

To provide an inspirational and exciting place for the young people of Chorley to make friends, try new things, have fun, and get support if they need it.



OUR VALUES

SUPPORTIVE

- We create a culture of warmth, where all young people feel welcome, safe and supported.
- We are genuine, caring and nurturing.
- We work as a team, supporting each other to achieve excellence.

COMMITMENT

- We are committed to making a positive difference to young people's lives.
- We deliver on our actions and goals by seeing them through to completion.
- We consistently put 100% effort into everything we do.

PRESENT

- We bring enthusiasm and visibility to our work.
- We consistently provide high quality sessions for young people.
- We bring our individual energy and effort to every session.

AMBITION

- We consistently develop, evolve and are pioneering in Youth Work.
- We are driven to take on new challenges and opportunities.
- We are passionate about being the best.

ALWAYS INSPIRATIONAL

- We create a fun environment, that encourages young people to achieve their full potential.
- We lead from the front and set achievable expectations.
- We open up new experiences, opportunities and adventures for young people.

