

Jigsaw (Bury): An Overview

Jigsaw (Bury) is a registered charity, based in the borough of Bury, comprised of two sub-groups: Jigsaw and Jigsaw Link. We are a member-led organisation, aiming to promote fun, freedom and independence for disabled people. We work to prevent social isolation, improve the self-esteem of our members and increase community integration.

Jigsaw is a sports and social group for young disabled people, aged between 13 and 40. We aim to support our members to enjoy an active social life, to reach their sporting potential and to maintain a healthy lifestyle, running sports and social activities on average six days a week. All of our outings are staffed by two or more Group Leaders, who are supported by a team of volunteers. Popular social outings include bowling, meals, cinema trips, day trips further afield, and our fundraising discos! We run an extensive programme of sports, including boccia, swimming, gym, football, basketball, athletics, rounders and badminton.

Jigsaw Link provides a one-to-one befriending service for people over the age of 50 who are disabled or have an age related condition. We also offer a weekly luncheon club and social outings throughout the year, as well as an Older People's Active Living Programme and a telephone befriending service.

The Board of Trustees is currently looking for applicants to join the Trustee Board following successful appointment at our AGM in June 2017.

Fulfilling this role will entail helping the organisation to work towards a strategic vision and achieve its aims of promoting fun, freedom and independence for disabled people. We require someone who would be available to attend board meetings on the second Thursday evening of every month.

Applicant Skills

Planning and decision-making
Team working
Fundraising
Financial management
Marketing and publicity
Business management
Service development
Social care
Youth work
Interest in the alleviation of problems caused by disability

Positions Available

As well as general board members, there are various officer positions available on the board. These are:

- Chair
- Vice-Chair
- Treasurer
- Secretary

Please see the detailed role descriptions attached for more information about each of these positions.

This is a voluntary role although any reasonable expenses incurred in performing the role will be reimbursed.

Age/Gender Restrictions: 18 years plus

Disabled Access: Yes

Equal Opportunities Policy: Yes

Expenses: Yes **Induction:** Yes **Insurance Cover:** Yes

Support on offer: Support from other trustees and office staff

Training: Yes

A DBS check will be required prior to appointment: we will help successful candidates with this process.

If you are interested please contact the Jigsaw office on 0161 253 6853 or e-mail jigsaw@bury.gov.uk

Closing Date: Tuesday 18th April 2017

You will be required to attend an informal interview. If successful, you will be put forward for election at our AGM in June 2017.

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