

From the WiLL project!







Your comprehensive guide to other support services that are available in Hinckley.



Looking back to April 2019, when the WiLL project was officially launched, it was estimated that over 500 rural residents would be helped by June 2020. Fast forward to 2023, after the pandemic forced a project extension, more than double that number have accessed employment support from the programme.

THE WILL PROJECT ENDS!

It's only now that the Work Live Leicestershire (WiLL) project can start to reflect on a timeline of events. Through all of the challenges faced, there are many reasons to be proud.

The mission statement of the WiLL project was to 'overcome barriers to training, employment and wellbeing, across rural Leicestershire, through collaboration.' Through organisations working together, with common goals, this has been followed to the letter.

FINAL EVALUATION

The social impact and legacy of the Work Live Leicestershire (WiLL) project is defined by an evaluation from independent consultants, compiled by Krista Blair and Dr Jennie Jordan.

It was commissioned to share learning and identify continuing needs in rural areas. This event contributes to shared learning and future lessons. A good practice guide is soon to be published, with responses to challenges that local communities are likely to face.



The evaluation forms a basis that can assist in planning and securing investment for potential future work, so that other organisations can offer similar methods of employment support. There is more of a need for these services than ever, as it stands today, and the blueprint is there for how these initiatives can succeed.









WHAT'S AROUND NOW?

There's now likely to be a big gap, where the WiLL project was, when it comes to support in the communities that we used to serve. We recognise that and are still trying to help.

The good news is that our team have been able to refocus their efforts and harness their knowledge, of your local area, to produce this guide, which is a here-and-now directory of the other organisations, projects and initiatives that you should be able to access.



This is specific to you and your community, so you won't have to look any further, for more information, about what's available and relevant to your locality. This is where the WiLL project can point you towards the relationships that we have built, so that we know that you have been left in good hands.



Their trained staff are there to help and strive to make the Pathways Centre a welcoming place to go with and make friends, by ensuring that a friendly face is always at hand. The venue, Hinckley Baptist Church is steeped in the town's history and has been there since 1766.

THE PATHWAYS CENTRE

The Pathways Centre has established itself as a thriving community hub that is open and inclusive to everyone. They offer a range of support groups and work alongside other organisations to serve their local area.

A community cafe, computer club, group activities and wellbeing workshops are available on-site. There are also a host of volunteering opportunities, for those who want to get more actively involved. Call the Pathways Centre on 01455 890 026 or, for more information, go to https://doi.org/10.1001/journal.org/





EMPLOYMENT SUPPORT AND CAREERS ADVICE

HINCKLEY JOB CENTRE

Hub, Rugby Road, Hinckley, LE10 OFR.

NATIONAL CAREERS SERVICE

nationalcareers.service.gov.uk

CAREERS ADVICE

<u>leicestershire.gov.uk/work-and-skills</u>

JOB CLUBS, LOCAL JOBS AND APPRENTICESHIPS

EMPLOYMENT HUB

Hinckley Library, Fridays, 10am to 12pm.

LOCAL JOB SEARCH

https://findajob.dwp.gov.uk

COUNCIL JOBS

 $\underline{hinckley\text{-}bosworth.gov.uk/applyforjob}$

TRAINEESHIPS

https://www.gov.uk/find-a-traineeship

APPRENTICESHIPS

apprenticeships.gov.uk/browse

VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES LOCALLY

VOLUNTARY ACTION LEICESTERSHIRE

valonline.org.uk

COMMUNITY CENTRES

 $\underline{hinckley\text{-}bosworth.gov.uk/community}$

VCS PARTNERSHIP NETWORK

ruralcc.org.uk/hbbc/

ADULT LEARNING AND EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS

GO LEARN

leicestershire.gov.uk/adult-learning-courses-golearn

THE WEA

wea.org.uk/about-us/leicester-leicestershire-and-rutland

SKILLS FOR WORK

nwslc.ac.uk/course/skills-for-work/

FUNCTIONAL AND LIFE SKILLS TRAINING

NUMERACY

leicestershire.gov.uk/multiply-numeracy-skills

LITERACY

nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/english

DIGITAL

nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/essential-digital-skills

SKILLS TOOLKIT

nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/the-skills-toolkit

BOOTCAMPS

gov.uk/guidance/find-a-skills-bootcamp

WELLBEING INITIATIVES AND CRISIS SUPPORT

CITIZENS ADVICE

<u>citizensadviceleicestershire.org/hinckley</u>

CRISIS CAFE

hinckleybaptist.com/Hinckley_Crisis_Cafe

MENTAL HEALTH MATTERS

hmhm.org.uk/mental-health



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