

Community Engagement Worker

Job Description

Job Title:	Community Engagement Worker
Project:	Detached Youth Project – East Dunbartonshire
Duration:	Fixed term contract (In line with East Dunbartonshire Council funding)
Reports to:	Community Engagement Manager
Hours and work pattern:	The service will deliver youth work sessions in community locations across East Dunbartonshire Friday and Saturday evenings 5pm to 10pm and one other mid-week evening between 6pm and 9pm.
Salary:	£21,501 pro-rata
Holiday entitlement:	Statutory holiday is accrued hourly, pro-rata
Base:	Community based

Purpose of Role

Detached youth work is a model of youth work delivery with workers going to where young people are; this can be in parks, ball courts, shopping centres or streets/neighbourhoods. This will involve partnership working with other service providers including community organisations, voluntary sector youth work providers, community wardens, and Police Scotland.

To provide detached youth work in priority locations within East Dunbartonshire

- To build positive relationships with children and young people, encourage positive behaviours and provide diversionary activities.
- Engaging children and young in a young person-centred, non-judgemental way, meeting young people where they are, building relationships and gaining trust.
- Provide information for young people on diversionary activities.
- Build a model of trusted relationships with young people to help engage them in positive activities, education, training, employment and support.
- Provide information and advice to children and young people around subjects such as substance use, mental health, loneliness, sexual health, relationships, exploitation, housing and economic wellbeing.
- Work in partnership across a range of services and organisations to help build a holistic neighbourhood assessment and plan using principles of contextual safeguarding.
- Respond to incidents and issues quickly and creatively to provide diversion and safety for young people.
- Signpost and refer to other appropriate services.