



# Regional Event Volunteer

## Wooden Spoon Region

### Voluntary Role

*Changing the lives of disadvantaged and disabled children and young people*

As a member of a Wooden Spoon Regional Team you will, on an ad hoc basis, help ensure events and activities organised by the Region make a positive impact on our members and supporters. You will assist with tasks and activities guided by event co-ordinators or similar members of the regional committee who will all value your dedicated time, support and expertise.

#### What you'll get out of it

You'll meet inspiring people and grow your network in rugby and your local community. You'll help change the lives of disabled and disadvantaged children and young people.

#### Ideally, you'll need to be

- Reliable, personable and enthusiastic
- Passionate about making a difference
- Willing to work alongside others towards a common goal
- Familiar with (or willing to learn about) Wooden Spoon's processes, vision, mission and values

#### What you'll do

- By arrangement (and subject to availability) you will attend and support Wooden Spoon events and activities organised by the region
- You will help with the set up and break down of events
- You will be asked to represent the charity and to get stuck into various tasks and activities that might include: meet and greet administration, collecting money for tickets, bids and raffles and generally ensuring the event runs smoothly
- Stewarding and generally reacting to the needs of special guest speakers, attendees and supporters
- You may be asked to chaperone our mascot Spoony – you may also be willing to wear the mascot costume!
- You may be asked to assist in the recruitment of new members by supporting the use of devices or forms

#### How much time it will take up

- The commitment will depend on your availability and number of local events.
- Most regions run between 2 and 6 events a year. Typically these are but not restricted to lunches, dinners as well as rugby matches, golf days and project openings.

## What support you'll have

- You will get guidance and support from members of the Regional Committee.
- All new Wooden Spoon volunteers are guided through a National online induction programme.
- It is expected that reasonable out of pocket expenses will be reimbursed by the Region by prior agreement with the Regional Chair, Secretary or Treasurer.

## Who can apply to volunteer

- You'll be at least 18 years old.
- We will ask you for references and to complete an enhanced DBS check.
- You will need to be able to travel to and across your Wooden Spoon Region.
- All Regional volunteers are ambassadors for the vision mission and values of our charity.
- We expect volunteers to adhere to the Wooden Spoon Volunteers' Charter at all times.

## Background

Wooden Spoon is the **children's charity of rugby**, funding life-changing projects to support disadvantaged and disabled children and young people.

Since our founding in 1983, we have distributed in excess of **£25 million** to more than **700 projects**, helping over **1 million** disabled and disadvantaged children.

Our rugby heritage gives us our core values of **passion, integrity, teamwork** and **fun**, which drive everything we do.

**Our Vision** is that every child and young person, no matter what their background has access to the same opportunities. **Our Mission** is to positively transform the lives of children and young people with a disability or facing disadvantage across the UK and Ireland.

Our roots lie in rugby and our future is shaped by it. The sport provides us with a purpose in making a positive difference **changing children's lives** through the **power of rugby**.

Wooden Spoon **Regional Teams** are at the heart of our charity and are vital to promoting our cause. Our Regional teams serve the needs of disadvantaged and disabled children and young people by **raising** and **investing** money locally.