



## **Honorary President**

### **Wooden Spoon Region**

### **Voluntary Role**

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

The Honorary President of a Region is a high-profile individual with a connection to rugby and to the local area. You inspire, encourage and support your Regional Team whenever possible by attending Regional events and advocating for the charity. You reflect the vision, mission and values of Wooden Spoon.

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

People are always excited to see you! You'll enhance your profile in rugby and your local community. You'll feature in our media and digital communications. You'll be associated with the values of our Charity. You'll connect with brilliant and dedicated rugby volunteers who make a real difference. By showing our appreciation to volunteers, partners and supporters, you'll feel energised and have fun.

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

- An inspirational communicator who can interact with people from all backgrounds, individually and in groups.
- Enthusiastic and motivational.
- Comfortable communicating with the media.
- Familiar with (or willing to learn about) Wooden Spoon.

#### **What you'll do**

- Attend Regional Events and Project Openings.
- Promote Wooden Spoon's vision, mission and values at appropriate opportunities in person and via the media (including social media).
- Attend (where possible) the annual Rugby Ball in London as an ambassador for, and guest of, Wooden Spoon.

#### **How much time it will take up**

- The commitment required will depend on the activity of the Region. You will agree with your Regional Chair the number, type and frequency of appearances you are able to make.
- Approximately 4-6 half days per year.

## What support you'll have

- Regional volunteers operate as a team, collaborate and support each other, under the leadership of the Regional Chair.
- Your Regional Team will provide regular communication, plus detailed briefing about events and openings you agree to attend.

## Who can apply to volunteer

- Due to the nature of the role, Honorary President's will be **invited** and **appointed** by the Regional Chair. Each Region is encouraged to have two Honorary Presidents: one female and one male.
- You will be able to undertake this voluntary role from your home base and 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.