



# Rugby Coordinator

## Wooden Spoon Region

### Voluntary Role

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

Great connections between our charity and the rugby community are vital. As Rugby Coordinator, you lead, maintain, and develop our connection with rugby through the rugby community.

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

You'll enjoy leading, motivating and supporting a team of people to broaden the reach of Wooden Spoon across rugby clubs, schools, colleges, universities, Referee Societies and the Local Governing Body of rugby (i.e. County or District Rugby Union). You'll build relationships and make bonds across rugby and your local community.

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

- A good communicator, organised and reliable
- Enthusiastic and good at motivating people
- Have a good knowledge and understanding of the game
- Interested in the local rugby community
- Familiar with (or willing to learn about) Wooden Spoon's core values, mission and values.

#### What you'll do

- Champion the work of the charity and Partner Club in line with our Core Values.
- Select, manage and co-ordinate players to form any Regional teams for matches.
- Establish and maintain relationships with the rugby community ie Rugby Clubs, County/Regional Unions, Referee Societies, Schools, Colleges and Universities.
- Help to recognise the efforts of Rugby Clubs and other organisations who regularly support the charity in the Region
- Develop official partnerships with Rugby Clubs (and other organisations) within the Region
- Manage the Partner Club Programme for the Region delegating relationship management to Regional Team Members and willing volunteers (see Partner Club Relationship Manager Role Description)
- Monitor fundraising progress, membership numbers and communications with all rugby clubs in the Region
- Work with and support the Marketing, Communications & Social Media Co-ordinator by providing press worthy rugby and/or Wooden Spoon content for promotional channels.

## How much time it will take up

- The commitment required will vary depending on the ambition to engage the support of the rugby community and Regional activity.
- An estimate of 1-3 hours a week. This will increase around planned rugby events.
- You will be able to undertake this voluntary role from your home base and will need to be able to travel across your Wooden Spoon Region.

## What support you'll have

- Regional volunteers operate as a team, collaborate and support each other, under the leadership of the Regional Chair.
- All new Wooden Spoon volunteers are guided through a National online induction programme.
- You will be supported by the National Wooden Spoon Team at Fleet and specifically from the National Rugby Manager.
- It is expected that reasonable out of pocket expenses will be reimbursed by the Region by prior agreement with the Chair and 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 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.