

Exhibitor Focus



ABOUT VOLUNTARY ACTION ORKNEY

Voluntary Action Orkney (VAO) support the third sector in Orkney by providing advice, information and practical services. The third sector is made up of voluntary, community and charitable groups, social enterprises and volunteers.

VAO also encourage volunteer work, through matching businesses who need volunteers with individuals who want to volunteer. Young people who take part in volunteering can work towards achieving their Saltire Awards. They also provide befriending services for adults and young people, along with youth services through the Connect Project, which supports young people aged 15-21 who are unsure what steps to take next or are not ready to move onto employment or further training.

WHO CAN ACCESS SUPPORT

Support is available to individuals and organisations.

The Connect Project is open to young people aged 15-21 years who are unsure what steps to take next.

Referrals to the befriending service can be made by yourself, or by someone else on your behalf.

CONTACT

For the Connect Project email: connect@vaorkney.org.uk

For information about any other VAO services, email: enquiries@vaorkney.uk

Tel.: (01856) 873 167 Visit: www.vaorkney.org.uk

WHAT SUPPORT IS AVAILABLE

Connect Project staff work with young people to develop a personal and flexible programme that meets learning needs.

The befriending service matches individuals with volunteers who are fully trained and supported by the befriending team.

Youth volunteering services can support achievements with the Saltire Awards and participation in the Youth and Philanthropy Initiative Scotland.

VAO also provide help with setting up a charitable organisation or helping individuals become involved with existing charitable organisations in Orkney.

HOW TO ACCESS SUPPORT

Formal referral processes are in place for the Connect Project and the befriending service.

You can also contact VAO directly for more information and advice on how to access their services.

WHERE TO FIND THEM AT THE ORKNEY CAREERS FAIR:

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