

**Wiltshire Council's Employment and Skills Service offers a range of support –**

- **Supporting local employers**
- **Providing information on apprenticeships**
- **Supporting individuals back into work**
- **Running Young Work Wiltshire and the Youth Hub**
- **Providing guidance for Care Leavers**
- **Family and Community Learning courses to help you up-skill**
- **Helping young people and those who are at risk of becoming NEET (Not in Education, Employment or Training)**

## **Building Bridges**

Are you working with somebody who is looking to return to work after a career break? Or struggling to decide what to do since leaving school? Or experience barriers which require 1-1 support?

Building Bridges is a free programme which can support those facing barriers or challenges in returning to the workplace or education and overcome them. It is open to anyone, aged 15+, in Wiltshire or Swindon who is not in Education or Employment.

Feedback from past and current individuals on the programme;

*"The regular contact has been great especially during the pandemic."*

*"So far having the support has helped me keep motivated and has given me some extra emotional support weekly at a time where I feel there isn't much I can do."*

*"Being on Building Bridges has really helped improve my mental health. I have more motivation and I have been able to do something positive for myself; I have secured my first job!"*

For more information and to get support;

Tel: 01380 732821

Email: [hello@buildingbridgessw.org.uk](mailto:hello@buildingbridgessw.org.uk)

Website: [The Building Bridges Programme \(buildingbridgessw.org.uk\)](http://The Building Bridges Programme (buildingbridgessw.org.uk))

**Building Bridges is funded by the Big Lottery Community Fund.**



## Family and Community Learning

The team is excited to share a new course – Story Box (preschool) the course is designed for parents and carers and their child/children aged 2 – 4 years. Starting on 17<sup>th</sup> September with 5 online courses. If you are working with anybody that would benefit from this course to boost children’s literacy, language and communication skills visit the [news page](#) for more information and how they can enrol.

They are also running ‘Help your Child to Learn Maths & English’ (separate courses).



## Instagram Launched

We have recently launched our Instagram account - @young\_workwiltshire we will be sharing information and top tips aimed at young people. With updates on our Youth Hub opening and highlighting job opportunities in Wiltshire. Please share our handle with young people you work with and encourage them to follow us.

## Meet the Team

Jo is an Employment and Skills Officer, she is a vital member of the team who works with other teams across the Council to support young people who are care experienced, not in education, employment or training (NEET). She has a lot of knowledge about local programmes which can support young people back into education or training.

She has been in the team for 4 years in her spare time she loves to camp and loves to run... just a little bit less! If you need to contact Jo or would like to discuss a local programme you are running drop her an email - [Joanne.Hine@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:Joanne.Hine@wiltshire.gov.uk)



## Contact us

*We are always looking for new ways of working and to work with partners to better support our local community please get in touch!*

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