Social Contribution at Imagine Act and Succeed





Imagine Act and Succeed is a registered charity based in Greater Manchester, specifically working in Leigh, Wigan, Salford, Trafford and Oldham

We support people with learning disabilities, autism and older people to feel connected, confident and safe, while also making a valuable contribution in their community with a focus on their wellbeing.

Social contribution

Social contribution is a collective effort and positive impact that we can make to enhance the well-being of our communities.

IAS want our local communities to thrive, and we actively engage in initiatives that contribute to them. Whether it's advocating for policy changes, supporting local businesses, sponsoring sport teams, supporting other community and charity groups, community involvement helps promote positive change within our local area

We encourage the people we support to be a contributing part of their communities.

IAS also create a culture of organisational and individual responsibility for working sustainably, and in an environmentally friendly way.

IAS aim to be part of the solution instead of part of the problem, both in terms of issues facing the planet and issues facing local communities.

Imagine Act and Succeed

Statement of Purpose

We seek to develop a person centred organisation where everybody feels valued and sees that their contribution makes a difference.

We aim to create an environment where everybody's energy and creativity is focussed on getting better lives for people.

We support people to live as valued and contributing members of their communities where they are part of a wide network of friends, neighbours and family.

We do this through active listening, thoughtful practice, passionate commitment, and by working towards peoples dreams.

IMAGINE, ACT AND SUCCEED

What's important to us at IAS:

People we support

- Are encouraged and supported to dream.
- Are given opportunities to demonstrate their capacity and resourcefulness.
- Have a choice over where they live, who they live with and how they are supported.
- Have the opportunity to direct how their service is delivered.
- Have contributions to make to their communities.
- Have opportunities to get to know and be known by as many people as possible.
- Live as valued members of their communities, surrounded by a wide network

Staff

- Have the opportunity to contribute and influence the development of the service.
- Feel their gifts, skills and contributions are acknowledged and appreciated.
- Have their passion and creativity released by adapting jobs to match a person's strengths and gifts.
- Listen to people and act on what has been heard.
- Act together from a shared sense of purpose.
- Have an opportunity to discover and do what matters.
- Challenge the low expectations that people we support generally experience.
- Are acknowledged as resources in their own communities.
- Know what is expected of them at work and are supported to achieve this.

Company

- We continue to learn through encouraging and celebrating good attempts.
- We promote decision making to be as close to the person as possible.
- We create a person centred company where everyone matters.
- We support fair and ethical business practice.
- We develop a "can-do" culture
- We work in partnership with our allies as "together we're better".
- We make time to reflect on practice and re-visit our purpose.

Community

- We strive to increase the community's ability to include everyone.
- We create opportunities for people to get to know each other and develop friendships and relationships.
- We promote equal and respectful relationships.
- We highlight peoples gifts and qualities.
- We counter discrimination through positive participation.

Community Contribution

IAS run a shop at a care scheme in Wigan, Elmridge Court. Residents were getting taxis to shops and so there was a need for a shop selling sundries and essentials. Six people supported by IAS volunteer at the shop in Elmridge Court. Rob is one of the people that work in the shop.

Soon after the shop opened it started to build up a regular customer base and it was clear that it was going to be more than just a shop. It gave residents a reason to come out of their flats, friendships were developed and people that were isolated had contact with other people. Residents have befriended the volunteers, and in turn volunteers take shopping to residents when they need it. People congregate in the shop area and its become a really social situation and a place for that community to gather together.





Sinead works for Timpsons in the finance department and loves her job

John is a person supported that had been working at the office on a voluntary basis, but now is a contracted employee at IAS. He really enjoys his job and working with the rest of the team in the office

Philip has secured employment cleaning in offices, and does a really good and thorough job. The high standard of his work if often commented on.





Luke is working at a local coffee morning providing drinks and snacks, and loves it



Community Contribution



We have been proud to support Wigan & Leigh Hospice over the years. It's an incredible community resource, that is so important to support.

We purchase advertising space in their regular fundraising publications, and have donated items for auctions and raffles. Our staff have also sold raffle tickets on their behalf.



Food banks

Its been important to us for may years to be able to help the food banks in our local area



Imagine Act and Succeed know what it means to be there for their community so know just how important it is for us to be the same. They must also know just how important cash donation are, even to a food charity, as they've donated a massive £500, so we can get that food where it needs to be.

Thankyou so much, it's amazing



When your work is making a difference in society, it's so special in itself, but when the workers decide they want to help and support beyond their own reach, it shows just how special they are. The fabulous Ruth & all the staff at Imagine Act and Succeed, Leigh, decided, rather than buy Christmas cards, they would all put in the money they would usually spend and donate it to people that need it more than they need the card. The results are stunning! This huge pile of food boxes and £300 in cash will be the difference for people in food poverty at Christmas and we want to say a huge thankyou to you all. You will never know just how much your thoughtfulness will help!



Imagine Act and Succeed are a brilliant charity, doing wonderful things, but that doesn't stop them wanting to do more. They regularly ask us to collect donations and we are always pleasantly surprised when we get there to see just how much they have.

At Christmas they always add a few treats, and this year is no different, with bags of food and a huge pile of selection boxes. Thankyou so much to everyone involved, you've done yourselves proud again.



Sponsorship

We have been pleased to be able to offer sponsorship to a number of local amateur sports teams, school productions and community events.



Golborne Parkside ARLFC

16 April 2023 · 🕙

Good evening from our newly formed under 13s girls team.

Just wanted to show our appreciation to our sponsors, thank you so much for your support.

Imagine Act and Succeed



As you know we rely on funding to support our events.

We would like to say a HUGE thank you to our sponsors of Pride this year. Your generosity, support and resources have helped us plan our biggest event to date.

Thank you Wigan Council, Freedom Fibre, Manchester Pride and Imagine, Act & Succeed.

We look forward to seeing you there on July the 1st 🌈



We sponsored the Boys early to mid-teens kit for Leigh Miners ARLFC.

We also donated to Leigh Miners Rangers RL Academy floodlight campaign by purchasing an Advertising board at the ground





Kit sponsored for Eastleigh JFC



The Westleigh School

2 March 2023 · 🔇

Ms Fraternale, Mr Dykes and the cast and crew of GODSPELL would like to thank all the businesses and individuals who have donated to and sponsored the show.

Never did we imagine the huge response we received. Your kindness has been overwhelming an we are all truly grateful. You have enabled us to create a memorable experience for all involved.

THANK YOU &



People getting involved



Ian has often raised money for St Ann's Hospice and most recently did a sponsored 10k walk from Salford to Leigh taking 4 hours with his support worker Becky raising £110 for St Ann's Hospice, who were thrilled with his efforts





Josh was very keen to raise some money for cancer research so Josh and his support worker Ian proudly wore their Cancer Research Race for Life t-shirts and completed the 3k Walk together coming over the finish line to cheers and clapping from parents and IAS staff. The total raised was around £1,700.

Supporting young people in education and careers.

IAS have always been keen to promote the care sector as a place to develop a professional career. To this end, we are always pleased to host Student Social workers, Health and Social Care students, provide work experience, bring child to work day and attend school career



Sustainability and Ethical trading

IAS are committed to operating in a sustainable, ethical and environmental friendly way. We aim to avoid our operations having a negative effect on the local community and the wider world in general.

We participate in the governments ESOS scheme where our use of energy resources is audited, and receive advice where we can reduce energy use.

We have a green and ethical policy and guidance which promotes us to use local services, or buy locally where appropriate. Our waste disposal is a recycling service. We use an ethical bank.

We have a digitalisation strategy with the aim to reduce paper use.

We are a member of a local business innovation group which promotes information, resource sharing and community improvement.



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