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Job Description: Sessional Youth Worker (paid or volunteer)

Hours of work: A session of not more than 3 hours (unless otherwise agreed)

Responsible to: Project Manager (and Senior Youthworker during session)

Responsibility for: Sessional workers (when Senior Youthworker)

Purpose: Assist with the team of sessional workers to support, develop and deliver the objectives of the Connections Bus Project.

Project Objectives:

1. to advance the education and training of persons in Cambridgeshire and surrounding areas who are in need and unlikely to gain employment, in particular through the supervised provision of services and facilities not otherwise provide by the employment services.
2. to provide recreational facilities to persons in Cambridgeshire and surrounding areas who are in need of such facilities by reason of their youth in the interests of social welfare with the object of improving their quality of life.

Main Duties:

	Level 1 Worker	Level 2 Worker	Senior Worker
To work on a double-decker bus or other venue and use it as a drop-in centre for young people	Y	Y	Y
To work in a detached youth work role when the bus or venue is not available		Y	Y
To make and sustain relationships with young people individually and in groups	Y	Y	Y
To work face to face with young people and engage with them for at least 80% of the session	Y	Y	Y
To ensure maximum access for all young people regardless of race, gender, culture, disability, religion or other status	Y	Y	Y
To help young people explore their own views and feelings on a subject rather than pushing your own on to them	Y	Y	Y
To set up and pack down equipment and tidy up on the bus or venue	Y	Y	Y
To organise and deliver a craft/sport and/or theme based activity			Y
To assist the senior youth worker with the activities	Y	Y	
To be responsible for the other sessional workers during the session			Y
To travel either to the village where working or to the place where the bus is stored (as appropriate)	Y	Y	Y
To arrive at least 10 minutes before the time young people are allowed on the bus or in the venue	Y	Y	Y
To leave after the young people have left and assist with cleaning/tidying up the bus or venue and provide input for sessional reports	Y	Y	Y
To ensure the bus "Operating Guidelines" are followed and adhered to			Y

To fill in reports and administration as required as part of the session		Y	Y
To follow the rules, guidelines and policies of the Connections Bus Project. These include: Health and Safety Child Protection Policy Substance Use & Misuse Policy Equal Opportunities Policy Confidentiality Policy Anti-bullying Policy Staffing Policy	Y	Y	Y
To make any decisions required as a result of a breach of Operating Guidelines with the assistance of other workers			Y
To undertake and attend training events and supervision sessions	Y	Y	Y
To fulfil any other duties as they may arise or which are requested	Y	Y	Y
To deputise for Senior Youth Worker in times of absence from Bus (sports activity etc)		Y	

Note: The Level is dependant on experience and qualifications.