

Lifestyles Public Art Project

Area – Kirkwall

Summary

This project will enable adults with a wide range of learning disabilities to participate in a series of creative workshops which will lead to the production of a collaborative public work of art for permanent display within the Lifestyles Service building. It is aimed the project will cater for 40 regular service users of the Lifestyles Centre, but will also be open and will actively seek to include participants from wider Orkney Heath and Care services and appropriate third sector groups.

Through the project, participants will be supported to explore their own creativity and develop creative skills that will be valuable to them beyond the life of the project. The project is also envisaged as a mechanism to break down general negative perceptions of “care” facilities, by raising awareness of individuals’ abilities and engaging the wider public in the development and presentation of the artwork(s).

It is hoped that the project will create a platform for a more sustained and strategic conversation about how the arts can impact on people’s wellbeing in Orkney.

A summary of project aims are:

- To deliver creative artwork, which will be on display for the Orkney community to see, creating a talking point, creating awareness and positivity of the capabilities of often marginalised and stigmatised groups.
- To deliver enhanced environmental and economic value, leading to increased community usage of the Lifestyles facilities.
- To deliver enhanced group and individuals’ confidence and skills in designing, planning, participating and delivering the project.

The proposed project includes the following elements:

Financial Information	£	%
Total Project Costs	10,237.00	
Total Eligible Costs	10,237.00	100
LEADER	5118.50	50
Orkney Islands Council – own funds	5118.50	50