

Work and Voluntary Experience to Succeed (WAVES)



The key stats

Project Lead: Groundwork London

Start and End Date: Jul 2017/Dec 2021

Project Axis: PA1 - Inclusive Labour Markets

Amount of ESF: £349,300

Full Value: £698,600

Delivery Area: Croydon; Storrington; Pulborough; Littlehampton

Partners: Groundwork South; Pre-School Learning Alliance; The Hyde Group; Affinity Sutton; Refugee Action; MENCAP; Gingerbread; Croydon Chambers of Commerce; Lives not Knives; Evolve Housing; Stonepillow; Sustainable Business Network

About the project

This project aims to increase social inclusion through developing innovative solutions that will support disadvantaged participants towards and into employment for the purpose of economic benefit and social inclusion.

The programme places participants in flexible volunteer roles to improve confidence and motivation, and prepare participants for employment. Workshops and training are provided to prepare them for their role, and continued one-to-one support once they are placed.

The programme addresses barriers to employment & training; Complex needs; Over 50's; BAME individuals; in four specific delivery areas; Croydon, Littlehampton, Storrington and Pulborough.



Nicola Byrne, Programme Manager, Groundwork London

"This project has been successful in securing further funding for another 100 people in the coast to capital LEP area. We are very proud to supporting and working with communities in Sussex."