

Future Leaders Programme – Millfields Trust

Partnership Organisation: Millfields Trust

Internship job title: Sustainable Transport Development Intern

Duration: 3 months (12th January – 30th March 2022)

Organisation point of contact: Roger Pipe

Salary: £10.78 per hour

Hours: Maximum of 50 hours over 3 months

Applications open: Monday 22nd November 2021

Applications close: Friday 3rd December 2021 (midnight)

Interview date: Week commencing Monday 13th December 2021

Start and end date of internships: Wednesday 12th January – Wednesday 30th March 2022

Future Leaders Programme Overview:

The Future Leaders internship programme is a 3 month fully funded internship opportunity giving current students at the University of Plymouth to develop their sustainable leadership skills. The programme has an innovative leadership component that will comprise of change leadership and personal development workshops that will be framed using the Plymouth Compass. These workshops aim to support students to become future-fit change makers that are confident leaders and role models and that have the skills and confidence to tackle sustainability issues compassionately and proactively.

Overview of the internship project, role, responsibilities, and key tasks:

This community-based internship opportunity seeks to help us to see if we can develop ourselves as a social enterprise or a charity.

The idea is to use the spare capacity of minibuses and other vehicles that we know exists in the city and link it to where transport is needed. There are organisations including schools, charities and businesses who own minibuses and there are those that need transport who cannot afford it or cannot access due to cost. We want to assess the possibility of putting these two things together, a resource and a need.

The Development worker will have to undertake research to understand the position and then put together a feasibility plan giving recommendations on how the project could (or couldn't) work.

Organisation background:

Millfields Community Economic Development Trust (Millfields Trust) has been set up to enable local people to contribute and manage the regeneration of Stonehouse in Plymouth.

The Trust is at the forefront of a movement to promote sustainable solutions to the regeneration of communities and allow local people to drive forward the process. This ethos is reflected in the Trust's structure. The Trust takes its name from the site of the former Royal Naval Hospital in Stonehouse, now renamed the Millfields, and has been trading since 1999.

Structure.

The Trust is a democratic organisation with membership open to anyone living in Stonehouse over the age of 17. Any member is entitled to stand for election to the Board of the Trust. The Board consists of 7 community directors, two representatives from Plymouth City Council and two business directors, reflecting the commitment to working in partnership. The Board is elected on an annual basis from its membership. The Trust is company limited by guarantee.

Aims and objectives.

Employment is one of the key factors in revitalising a community and improving its long-term prospects. Millfields Trust is contributing to the regeneration of the ward and the city by focusing on job creation and the development of business.

In particular, the Trust provides a platform to enable small and medium sized business to grow and develop. A package of measures including, high quality affordable accommodation, easy in and easy out terms and adding value to the tenancy are used to attract and support business. In return companies employ local people, purchase in the local community, and provide goods and services.

Surpluses are used to promote long term change in the community by investing in our sister charity Millfields Inspired. The charity runs a programme entitled Widening Horizons which works with year 5 children in our seven local primary schools. Widening Horizons links the world of work to that of education through a series of inspirational visits and activities.

What do we do?

The Trust manages 6 business centres over two sites on the Millfields and in Union Street. With over 100 tenant including charities and social enterprises the buildings are also a hub for the local community.

The Trust has been fortunate to make a surplus in each year that it has been trading invest each year in our sister Charity Millfields Inspired whose programmes work with our seven local primary schools. To date the Trust has invested over £2million back into the community of Stonehouse.

How to apply:

Please prepare a CV and cover letter outlining within the cover letter (no more than 2 pages) why you are interested in the opportunity and demonstrating how you meet the requirements of the post (outlined in the person specification below). Please also submit a piece of work you are proud of, for example this could be a written piece of work, a presentation/talk, something you have made, photograph you have taken, piece of artwork etc.

Please submit these to Rachel Manning at rachel.manning@plymouth.ac.uk by the application deadline of midnight on Friday 3rd December 2021.

Person Specification

Criteria	Essential	Desirable
Knowledge		Some knowledge of how to carry out research would be helpful
Experience		Some experience of the voluntary or community sector will be of an advantage.
Skills/attributes	Willingness to learn, flexible. Able to listen and be part of a small team Able to use their initiative and be creative	

Links to UN Sustainable Development Goals

