

PRESS RELEASE

Recruiting Now – Team Dorset Volunteer Leaders - Locals invited to play a part in 2012 Games -

The Welcoming Our World Customer Service Campaign is now recruiting for Team Dorset Volunteer Leaders, to help stage and host the many spectator and community events before and beyond 2012.

Until June this year, the Welcoming our World Campaign, funded by the Learning and Skills Council and the European Social Fund, can pay for 60 local people to prepare as volunteer leaders for something big that is taking place in Dorset.

“No formal qualifications are required to train as a Team Dorset Volunteer Leader, however experience or abilities gained through a personal interest, occupation or previous involvement in volunteering would be useful. Good local knowledge, experience of dealing with the public or experience of helping out at community events would all be useful”, explained Debra Horlock from Dorset New Forest Tourism Partnership, which is managing the Welcoming Our World Customer Service Campaign.

As part of organising the 2012 Games, host nations must include a Cultural Olympiad which starts in autumn 2008. Team Dorset Volunteer Leaders are also required to ensure the success of these events as well as the Weymouth and Portland sailing competitions which start in 2010 with the first test event.

Becoming a Team Dorset Volunteer Leader is likely to interest those who are already engaged in voluntary work and those who simply want to be part of the big event. Training will involve two-day leadership training and one day practical skills course.

To find out more about becoming a Team Dorset Volunteer Leader please go to www.wowlegacy.org.uk or call the Welcoming Our World Team on 01202 451151.



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