

Projected Costing - 2010

Detail of the work to be undertaken	Estimated Cost
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consultation with a group of people on the autism spectrum to discuss and review the Systems / forms /stages etc within the application process and identify areas that could prove to be a barrier for people on the autism spectrum. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Meeting costs ○ Facilitator time (Development Manager) • To respond to the consultation and make the necessary changes required to make the above as accessible as possible. 	Estimated figure of £1000 dependent on work required
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of a range of accessible marketing / publicity materials. When looking at accessibility it is intended to take into account the needs of all people with autism and not just those with a learning disability – looking particularly at the language we use and developing alternative leaflets/application packs etc. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Development time and production costs 	£1250
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To identify and train a group of people with autism to undertake outreach and provide support and mentoring to people on the autism spectrum to develop their skills and awareness in social settings and enable them to become members of Stars in the Sky <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Trainers / facilitators fees ○ Development Manager time to organise and oversee a programme of training – envisaged 4 half day sessions ○ Training sessions costs – venue hire/ materials etc 	£4000
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To advertise Stars in the Sky to people on the autism spectrum <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Advertising costs 	£500
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To support people on the autism spectrum in Wakefield via outreach, mentoring and use of a Buddy system to develop their confidence /skills and enable them to access events or be involved in a 1:1 meeting run by Stars in the Sky <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Associated volunteer /mentor expenses – travel etc 	£2000
Total funding required	£8750

Sustainability

Medium/ Longer term it is envisaged that the following will develop from the work outlined above:

- More people with autism in Wakefield will be accessing Stars in the Sky successfully
- The number of volunteer/ mentors will increase
- People being mentored will have developed their skills and become mentors
- The support required by an expanding group of volunteer / mentors could lead to the development of a paid Part time - Volunteer Coordinator post. It is envisaged this will be someone with autism who will oversee / coordinate work purely linked to people on the autism spectrum. This post would be longer term and require additional funding.