

Welcome to our July 2025 newsletter



Welcome, and thank you for taking the time to read our latest newsletter. Summer has well and truly arrived, and our members have been enjoying a lot more outdoor excursions and activities, including a brilliant sports day hosted by the Northampton Saints Foundation. The refurbishment and rebranding of our reception area and learning hub at our Wellingborough centre is underway and we look forward to its completion in a few weeks' time. Please read on to learn more about what we've been doing and how you can get involved in our wonderful charity.

Helen

Teamwork Trust CEO

A wonderful day of sport with Northampton Saints

We recently held our annual sports day in partnership with Northampton Saints Trust and hosted at Franklin's Gardens.

Our members took part in activities including boccia, sit-down volleyball and even tug of war! The activities were all adapted to be inclusive, and any member that didn't take part was on the sidelines cheering on their friends.

There were awards at the end of the day for the winning team, as well as most enthusiastic athlete and most enthusiastic supporter. It was a brilliant day, and one we'll all remember for a while.

A huge thank you to Northampton Saints Foundation for hosting the day, and to our dedicated team for their hard work.



Teamwork Trust news



Measuring progress

Teamwork Trust is proud to adopt the [Skills Builder Framework](#) to benchmark member progression against an external standard. This will enhance our work with schools and help demonstrate development across key skill areas. Progression is at the core of our offer, with all members accessing tailored sessions and volunteering to build employability and independence. Using Skills Builder, we can now track, monitor, and report individual and session progress.



Volunteering pathway

Every Teamwork Trust centre now has work experience opportunities for all members. Alongside work skills sessions, this creates a clear pathway to volunteering and employment. Our Vocational Lead, Emma, has already secured placements with organisations including Lakeland Hospice, Morrisons, RSPCA, Daylight Centre and British Heart Foundation, benefiting over 30 members so far. We're excited to grow this further as we develop our vocational skills pathway.

Teamwork Times



Our members take part in a monthly 'Journo Club' session in which they discuss, create and write stories that mean something to them about the time they spend at Teamwork Trust. This can be trips, projects or events - anything they choose. We then include the stories in their very own newspaper, the Teamwork Times.

Click on the image to read this month's edition created by our Corby journalists!

Teamwork People

A spotlight on the people who make Teamwork Trust such an amazing place

Monica



Monica is one of the Living and Learning Coordinators from Kettering Teamwork, and has recently progressed from the role of apprentice in our Corby centre.

Monica was nominated for Trustee recognition by a number of colleagues because of her excellent work in leading activities for our Kettering members, her warm, friendly and kind demeanour and the way she embodies the Teamwork values of Pride, Purpose, Direction, Interest and Fun.

Monica says: "Working with individuals with disabilities isn't just a job for me, it's a calling that fills my heart every single day. It's a deep joy and a privilege to be part of their lives, to witness their strength, their growth, and their unique light."

"Every day brings moments that inspire me, challenge me, and remind me why I do what I do. I pour my whole heart into supporting, uplifting, and learning alongside these incredible individuals. I don't just feel lucky, I feel honoured to do what I love, and to walk this meaningful path with them."

[Want to be a Teamwork Trust volunteer? Click here to find out more](#)

Social media

Here are a few of the activities to have featured recently on our social media



Some of our members visited the Nene Wetlands Visitor Centre at Rushden Lakes to find out about how Beavers have been reintroduced to Northamptonshire for the first time in 400 years!

We celebrated our Volunteering Executive Judy Caine winning the prestigious 'Rose of Northamptonshire' Award to mark all her voluntary work in the Corby community over the last 19 years.

We had an amazing visit to Wellingborough Police Station where local PCSOs gave some of our members a really informative tour - and thankfully allowed everyone to leave at the end!!

[Click on the pictures to find out more](#)



Teamwork testimonial

We're proud to have an excellent relationship with [Billing Brook School](#) - an all-age Wellingborough centre to engage in work experience sessions. It's a pleasure to have this link-up, but still very special to get message as lovely as this from them:

"Thank you so much for making a real fuss of the boys yesterday. They really loved it and felt so proud of themselves as are we seeing how independent they've become and how much they've grown! Thank you for everything you've done! We've all had an unforgettable time!"

Upcoming events



📅 September 3rd 2025

Wine and Unique Art

Join us at our Kettering centre between 4-6pm to enjoy a glass of wine and take part in our auction for unique, hand-painted garden ornaments; created by our talented service users. Tickets cost just £5 (including wine) and will be available for purchase from the centre or our website from August 1st.



📅 September 10th 2025

Summer Colour & BBQ

Our Wellingborough centre will be hosting a BBQ and auction where you will have the chance to bid on hand-painted garden ornaments and meet the service-user artists who created them. With a delicious BBQ included, tickets cost just £7.50 and will be available from the centre or our website from August 1st.

Would you like to volunteer at Teamwork Trust?

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