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## INTRODUCING THE NEW ADDITION THE WORKING FOR HEALTH ALLOTMENT

Having moved to their new building at Cottingham Station late last year and got settled in, one thing they realised they would benefit from is to have some outdoor space for their members to utilise (no room for that on a railway station platform).

So they were delighted when they heard an allotment plot was available and jumped at the chance to secure it just in time for the summer.

Their allotment will be accessible to everyone who is registered with Working for Health and all of their volunteers and staff. The pictures show what it looks like at the moment but they have big plans to transform it into something amazing. Work will be done in the coming weeks to prepare and cultivate the ground.



The benefits of getting outdoors, engaging in physical activity and being involved in producing their own food are huge. The value of having outdoor spaces to meet has



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really been highlighted recently due to the pandemic and they are so happy to now have somewhere they can all be together outdoors, both in the coming weeks and when life returns to 'normal'.



If you would like to follow the progress of the allotment, keep an eye on their website [workingforhealth.co.uk](http://workingforhealth.co.uk) and their social media (they are on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram).



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## ART OF THE CITY PROJECT

Springboard YEI partner The Warren have launched a new and exciting weekly arts project, which aims to bring young people and local artists together outside, using the city as the inspiration!



The 'Art of the City' project will provide young people aged 16-29 the opportunity to learn new artistic skills, meet fellow budding artists and have fun over the summer, at weekly, two-hour art sessions.

The project will be run with small groups of up to 6, with places being booked in advance. It will follow government guidance around social distancing and necessary safety measures, to form part of an enrichment programme to encourage participants to get outside, build confidence, make friends and learn new skills.

For more information check out the Warren's Facebook page via this [LINK](#)



## ESF COMMUNITY GRANTS 5 ROUND 4 OPEN NOW

Humber Learning Consortium have successfully been awarded the **ESF Community Grants Programme 5 2019-2021**

and are pleased to announce the launch of the 4th round of funding available.

Grants of between **£5,000 and up to £20,000** are available.

Deadline for application receipt is:  
**Friday 25th September 2020 - 2.00pm**

All applications must also be submitted on the new electronic application form. Applications submitted in any other format will not be accepted.

There are several changes to this programme, so it is recommended that even if you have delivered ESF Community Grants before that you take advantage of our workshops to gather as much application information as you can.

Places are limited to one person per organisation. All workshops will be held via Zoom and you will receive an invitation through email when you have successfully booked a place.



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## News



### ESF Community Grants 5 – Round 4

HLC are now currently accepting electronic applications for Community Grants Round 4! A full assessment and formal negotiations on contract start dates and approval of award will be discussed upon our return to the office.

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The below dates are available to book onto:

**Monday 17th August - 10:00 until 12:00**

**Tuesday 18th August - 10:00 until 12:00**

To book onto one of the workshops please go through our website on the What's Happening page.

[www.hlc-vol.org](http://www.hlc-vol.org)

There you will also find the link for the new electronic form and any further details.

If you have any queries please e-mail [community-grants@hlc-vol.org](mailto:community-grants@hlc-vol.org)

## MELISSA SEAMAN, FROM HULL CITY COUNCIL, WHO WORKS AS A YOUTH EMPLOYMENT KEYWORKER, SHARES HER TALES FROM LOCK DOWN...

### What's your experience of lock down been like?

It has been nice to take a step back from the stress and fast pace of life and sit back and really appreciate what we have. It has been refreshing to actually spend quality time with my parents and talk to friends on the phone/Facetime etc...

### What have you learnt about yourself during lock down?

I have learnt that I can actually spend a lot of time alone and really enjoy my own company. I have also learnt the importance of taking time out and not having to fit everything in to daily life.

### Have you learnt any new hobbies or skills?

I have been going on a lot more walks which has been nice, I have also done a lot of baking such as chocolate cakes, victoria sponge, chocolate tiffin and carrot cakes. I have also been fishing with my dad which has been something I would not have thought I would have done or enjoyed, but I did.



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## TALES FROM LOCK DOWN CONTINUED.....

**How have you found working from home? (Best bits and most challenging aspect?)**

I have adapted to it quite well. I get up and dressed as I would normally do for work, make sure I take regular breaks and log off at the usual time. I have also made sure I work either downstairs or in the office so I can relax in my room on an evening.

The best bit has been the fact I do not have to commute to Hull every day and get stuck in traffic.

The most challenging aspect has been not seeing my work colleagues and feeling isolated from friends and family.

**What new ways of working have you learnt from home and what will you take with you, when we return to a new type of 'normal'?**

I have learnt that we, as keyworkers, can work from home effectively and still engage with learners, who are responding to phone calls/text messages and emails just as well as face-to-face sessions.

Post lock down I would like to see people carrying on with new hobbies and maybe work from home a couple of days per week.

**If you could go back to the start of lock down with what you know now, what would you tell yourself?...**

That it will only last three-to-four months and that nothing lasts forever. I would also tell myself to try not to worry and not watch the news and read Facebook everyday as this causes more stress and worry.

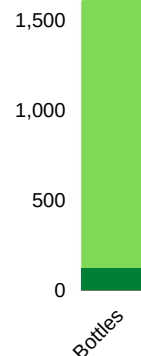
If you would like to share your story, then please email [katie.freeman@hlc-vol.org](mailto:katie.freeman@hlc-vol.org)

## HAVE YOU GOT THE BOTTLE?!!!..... WE NEED YOUR HELP..... UPDATE

Goodwin Development Trust's BBO Project are on a mission to build a recycled greenhouse out of plastic bottles, for use by their participants when they return to face-to-face delivery. To do this they need approximately 1500 2L bottles!!

They've made a start and have around 120 but still need a lot more....!!

If you can help by collecting some, they have set-up a drop-off point every Thursday, from 10 am until 12 pm, at the allotments to the rear of the Octagon Building car park on Walker Street, Hull.



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