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### WITHERNSEA'S SOCIAL SUPERMARKET HELPS SINGLE PARENT DEVELOP NUMERACY SKILLS, AS PART OF NEW MULTIPLY LAUNCH....

Like many of us, Penny's confidence with numbers was left at the school gates many decades ago. A single parent with a teenager with learning disabilities, Penny admitted that developing her skills was never on her list of priorities, the important things to her was making ends meet especially with the challenges of the cost of living crisis.

Penny was a regular user of the Shores Community Pantry, a social supermarket located in Withernsea, which was part of the Shores Centre charity.

During one of her visits the Pantry team discussed the Multiply Programme, and the opportunity not only to start developing her numeracy skills, but also receive vouchers towards setting up a credit union account and vouchers for the pantry, all of which made a huge difference to her financial concerns. Not only was this supporting Penny with her daily budgeting, but for the first time in many years Penny realised and recognised the importance of investing time into developing her skills.

Following her Multiply support, Penny put her name down for a certified Numeracy course with further education



and realised this was only the start of her journey, and that she wanted to continue evolving her abilities. Within weeks, Penny's confidence had grown so much that she was setting up a 'Toy-Bank' at Shores to help disadvantaged children in the area.

Penny admits, like many of us, she was getting through each day surviving, getting on with life, now she's thriving and living life, everyday growing in confidence that doesn't just benefit her, but also her family and her wider community.



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## HULL'S 'MEN IN SHEDS' RECEIVE DONATION FROM HLC'S BARBARA HAIGH FUND....

HLC hold the Barbara Haigh Development Fund. The aim of the fund is to develop organisations for the benefit of their target audience. This fund is named after a valued HLC staff member who sadly passed away in 2016. Barbara was a real people person who always put others first, she was inspirational and championed great learning and educational experiences that made a real difference to people's lives.

Recently Vicky Holbeck (This-Ability Contract Manager) presented a donation from the fund to the Men in Sheds organisation to enable them to buy some much needed equipment, which included a band saw and a wood hoover for their members. Here is a little bit of information about them:

'Men in Sheds Hull' are a small, local charity founded in 2014 which aims to reduce loneliness and isolation in men. Sheds are a place where people can meet to socialise, share skills, and learn new ones. Activities include woodworking, laser engraving and 3D printing, we encourage all our members to get involved in projects for the shed, other charitable organisations, schools, and our local community.



**HLC** Humber Learning Consortium  
*Passionate about learning*  
Barbara Haigh Fund

Improving the health and wellbeing of our members and volunteers is at the heart of everything we do, recently we introduced a Walking Talking Wednesday's group which is open to anyone aged 18+, a gentle walk and talk between 1pm and 2pm then back to the shed for a cuppa and a chat. It's free to join so come along, meet some new people and enjoy some fresh air and exercise.



If you would like to know more about Men in Sheds Hull, then please feel free to contact (01482) 803700 or email [info@meninshedshull.org](mailto:info@meninshedshull.org).



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## A CLEAN SLATE.....

Allison enrolled onto the BBO project in September 2022, via North Lincolnshire County Council, after losing her job as a cleaner. She had always worked, and usually had been able to walk into another job through friends, or word of mouth. However, Allison was struggling to find work and was losing confidence.

Karon, the North Lincolnshire Key Worker, worked with her initially to start building her confidence and boost her morale. They then started looking at the areas of work in the local area and produced a CV so that Allison was able to apply for jobs. Allison doesn't drive and has a few health problems, so wanted a part-time position, preferably as a cleaner as she enjoyed this, and needed to be local.

Allison applied for a few positions but was unsuccessful. A job then came up at the local job centre as a part-time cleaner, three days a week, which seemed perfect and she applied for it. Allison completed a day's trial for the position and was so pleased when they offered her the post!

Allison has been working a few weeks now and is already a valued member of staff. She is enjoying her job and making a lot of new work friends. She is much more talkative and her confidence has grown immensely.

Well done Allison!



**Career Opportunities in the Legal & Accountancy Sectors Event**

Are you a careers professional who works with children, young people, or adults in Hull and East Yorkshire? Would you like to keep your knowledge and advice up to date and learn more from the professionals themselves about the diverse career opportunities in the legal and accountancy sectors? If the answer is yes, this FREE event, organised by the HEY LEP Career Aspirations Groups, will be for you!

To book your place - click on the link below  
Wednesday 8 February 2023  
08:30 - 11:30  
Guildhall, 77 Lowgate, Hull, HU1 2AA

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## HEY LEP SKILLS NETWORK EVENT: PRESENTATION OF LOCAL DIGITAL SKILLS PARTNERSHIP AND CELEBRATION OF APPRENTICESHIPS....



The next HEY LEP Skills Network meeting will be taking place on Tuesday 7th February 2023, 12.30pm to 4.00pm, at the University Centre Bishop Burton College.

This meeting will be a two-part event. Delegates will hear about the latest developments in the Local Digital Skills Partnership and will be invited to contribute to a discussion informing the creation of a digital framework for Hull and East Yorkshire.

This will be followed by a celebration of apprenticeships and include guest speakers from Ofsted, CITB and Yorkshire & Humber Apprenticeship Ambassador Network (Y&HAAN), as well as a chance to hear apprentices talking about their experiences.

Once again, there will be opportunities for guests to network, with space for a small stand, banners and marketing materials before and after the main event activities.

If you would like to book at stand please contact Carl Southcoat, Senior Advisor, Employment and Skills, by emailing [c.southcoat@heylep.com](mailto:c.southcoat@heylep.com). Or to book a place at the event follow [LINK](#).



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