



Corporate & Community Update

Welcome to our Summer Corporate and Community update, showcasing the incredible support our Corporate Partners have shown us and the amazing young people we work with.

As always it has been a busy time at Motiv8. We have been putting plans in place for the summer holidays, have a newly developed space in Fratton, developing our building in Havant and have even been planning our Christmas Campaign!

Motiv8's New CEO

Early in 2024 Motiv8 went through a competitive open recruitment exercise, led by the Board of Trustees, to appoint a new CEO. Following this process our former Head of Operations Kirsty Robertson was appointed with immediate effect.

Kirsty brings to this role her absolute commitment to serving young people. Her dedication to the values of Motiv8 is without question and we could not choose a better advocate for all the team do.

In her time as Interim CEO we have already seen the impact she brings to the organisation and the leadership she provides. With an amazing Motiv8 journey so far, spanning across 15 years, our attention now turns to our 5-year strategy building on the quality of all we do to ensure we retain Motiv8's position as a great place to work and a great place to give young people the life chances they deserve.



On her appointment Kirsty says:

"I am delighted and thrilled to have been offered the role of CEO for Motiv8, and I am eager to lead us through the next stage of our journey. This opportunity is both an honour and a pleasure, and I am committed to guiding our organisation with passion and dedication."

From Our Young People

"It's really important that Motiv8 can provide support for young people. A lot of us struggle at school and home, Motiv8 acts as that third party where we're treated not as a student or a child but an individual.

When I first started 1:1 mentoring with Motiv8 I was struggling at home and needed to talk about it. Motiv8 gave me a safe space to speak, without worry of who they would tell. With help from Motiv8, my family were able to get a washing machine after not having one for months. They also offered support to my dad and really showed they cared about us all. I was facing so many barriers but am now achieving things that I didn't think were possible.

Your support gives young people, like me, a better chance at life.



Thank you!"

Taylor, aged 16



We want to say a BIG thank you to Aztec Group for their support this year!

Book Vending Machines

Back in May we had two very exciting deliveries! Our Portsmouth and Gosport hubs now have refurbished vending machines with a vast range of books that our young people can access using the tokens that they can receive at the hubs – no change needed! They simply pop the token in, choose a book and voila!

Accessing books has never been easier for our young people!



In June, the rain took a break and then sun came out for a group of eight volunteers to join us in Gosport to help begin a make-over of the outside space. With their support we were able to purchase materials for the outside space and began a transformation with the development of a sensory garden, freshly painted decking and seating area and a good tidy up and deweed!

Thank you to the group of volunteers who worked hard in the sun and transformed the space!





Keeping Our Young People Active

With generous support from Aztec, we were able to purchase a wide range of game supplies and dodgeballs for our outdoor provision at the King George Playing Fields in Cosham.

These aren't the only way Aztec have supported us this year. They have also provided over 200 Easter Eggs for our young people, lunch for our staff during a training day, donated old televisions to our Youth Hubs and came along to support our D-Day beach clean.

Thank you, Aztec, for all your support, it really does make a big difference to the young people we work with.

Great South Run

Thinking of challenging yourself by taking part in the most iconic race in the South of England? Why not sign up and fundraise to support Motiv8 and help provide young people with positive life

The Great South Run is one of the world's favourite 10 mile running event. With sensational sea views promised as you breathe in the fresh sea air and run through some iconic sights, it is all part of an incredible experience. Enthusiastic supporters will keep you motivated and your spirits high with blaring music, jubilant cheers and high fives there's a reason 99% of runners say they'd recommend it to a friend!



By signing up to support Motiv8 you will be:

Joining a community of people across the city raising awareness of the important cause we support

Playing your part in raising flexible funding that will help us meet immediate need

Showing how your business is committed to making a difference to young people in our communitu

If you're interested in signing up to support Motiv8, get in touch with the Fundraising team on fundraising@motiv8south.org.uk

Thank you to all those that have already signed up to run in aid of Motiv8! We know some of you are already completing training runs and we can't wait to be there supporting you on the day!

Not a runner? Why not go shopping instead?

Give As You Live

Starting to fill your fridge with BBQ goodies and summer treats? Get regular FREE donations for us when you shop online for groceries. It's a bit like cashback - but Give As You Live will pay the money you earn to us as a donation, for free!



Scan the QR code and get started!



What have we been up to?

In June the Gate Craft Bar's cycling team completed a mammoth 700-mile bike ride from Park Gate to Spain! The group of 10 (kind of) retired cyclists sat enjoying a drink one day, chatting about how they could make a different and planned this incredible challenge. They raised an amazing £20,631 for three charities; Motiv8, Alzheimer's Reseach UK and Motor Neurone Disease Association.

A huge well done and thank you to the cyclists and everyone that supported them! We can't wait to see what challenge they take on next!







We wanted to highlight some of our activities from Pride Month! In Portsmouth our Create Hub enjoyed making pride flags, our young people in Gosport enjoyed decorating Hedwig the Owl for the Chesnut Tree House Big Hoot, Little Hoots Learner programme and in Havant they celebrated with a Pride Party!



Our hubs have been having open, honest, safe and non-judgemental discussions around Pride and what it means to young people in Portsmouth. We want young people to know they are always warmly welcomed into one of our safe spaces and accepted exactly as they are.









Thanks to incredible support from our Corporate Partner Mountjoy we have brought to life what was once a conventional business unit, into a dedicated multi youth community facility. In Fratton we now have a dedicated young person kitchen, private, confidential mentoring spaces as well as sound proof sensory counselling rooms as well as an activity space!

This summer Mountjoy are also generously supporting our Summer Passport Programme, hosting a Golf Day and running the Great South Run, all in support of Motiv8!

A big thank you to Mountjoy and their supply chain for their hard work and continued support!

HARWIN

We're delighted to welcome Harwin as a new Corporate Partner!

Harwin are based in Farlington and are a leading connector company. They have already been extremely generous in supporting Motiv8 by donating shredders and a 3D printer and have provided lunch for an all-staff training day.

They will also be supporting our youth programmes and providing opportunities for young people to explore future skills and provide them with an awareness of Harwin's Academy programme. Keep an eye out for their team of runners at the Great South Run this year, who will be fundraising and running in aid of Motiv8!

A big thank you to Harwin for all your support – we are excited for the year of partnership ahead and can't wait to cheer your team on in the Great South Run!

In April Motiv8 were the featured charity partner of Scrap Car Comparison's 'Donate a Car' scheme! Through donations made by customers looking to sell their vehicles as scrap and salvage, an incredible £4095 was raised to support our work!



A big thank you to Scrap Car Comparison and everyone who supported us through the scheme.



In June, our Youth Workers began detached sessions around Gosport. Detached is a great opportunity for us to wonder around the community and chat with young people so we can sign post them to our youth services.

Thank you to the team at Menzies who spent two days volunteering in Gosport! Despite the rain they worked hard helping to continue the transformation of our outside space, making it a welcoming sanctuary full of nature for our young people to enjoy.









Events for Your Calendar

December Motiv8 Christmas Challenge

During our Christmas
Campaign, your contribution
means twice as much to the
young people we work with.
Keep an eye out more more
details soon!



3rd - 10th Dec 2024

Celebr8
Christmas
with us!

Keep an eye out for more details about our celebration event!



Golf Day at Boundary Lakes Golf Course After the success of our 2024 Golf Day, we can't wait to welcome you all to Boundary Lakes again in 2025! We have another fun day planned with lots more opportunities to support! To find out more and register your interest get in touch with the team on fundraising@motiv8.org.uk.





Our fabulous fundraising team have been out and about spreading the word about Motiv8 and making some new local connections. Do you have some networking event recommendations for us?

We would love to come along and connect with local businesses! Let us know by contacting the team on fundraising@motiv8.org.uk

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