

Business Action on Homelessness: Ready for Work fortnight- getting people back into the workplace

Business Unit:

Carillion Building, Nottingham

Date:

4th-15th November 2013

Location:

Harvey Hadden Leisure Centre

In Partnership with:

inspiredspaces Nottingham & Business in the Community

Key Contact:

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Outcome Area(s):

Our People

Community

Business Benefits:

Employee engagement

Increased productivity through raised staff morale

Aligns with socio-economic objectives and supports our commitment to Nottingham city.

Corporate Social Responsibility evidence

Community Benefits:

Raising aspiration

Getting people back into work

From 4th-15th November, our construction partners, Carillion Building, hosted a fortnight's work placement for Brian Mills at their Harvey Hadden Leisure Centre site.

The programme, facilitated through Business in the Community, aims to get unemployed people back into the workplace.

Brian was delighted to be hosted by Carillion as he was keen to get back into the industry, having had previous construction experience.

The team at Harvey Hadden were impressed by Brian's dedication to

his duties, confirming: "Brian attended work every day, always on time. He was interested in all tasks given to him, which he also completed on time. We found Brian to be honest, reliable and a confident person with good communication skills. Brian worked well with all of the staff on-site and was very well liked."



Above L-R: Ross McMahon, the Gateman at Harvey Hadden was immensely helpful in supporting Brian during the programme. Brian (centre with his programme completion certificate) and Phil Chapman from DJ Swallow, Carillion's subcontractors.



During his time on site, Brian was supervised on a range of tasks, some of which included:

- Recording vehicle registrations
- Assisting gateman/banksman with guiding heavy plant into and out of site
- Keeping pedestrian area clear of mud and debris
- Keeping compound area clean and tidy
- Showing visitors onto the site

On completion of the Ready for Work programme, Brian was provided with a written reference from Mark Angus, Carillion Project Manager at Harvey Hadden Leisure Centre. His CV is also to be registered with Sky Blue, Carillion's recruitment agency.

We would like to wish the best of luck to Brian in his future endeavours and say a massive "thank you" to our colleagues at Carillion Building for supporting the 'Ready for Work' fortnight once again.

