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Dear Hilary Tripp

I am writing on behalf of ESS Education and Support Services, a not-for-profit organisation based in Somerset, who have applied to become a charity. ESS provides support, accredited bespoke education, advancement within wellbeing, mental health, and softer skills to vulnerable young people and their families within the Southwest.

ESS support young people who are NEET (Not in Education, Employment or Training), are at risk of becoming NEET, home schooled, require additional support or alternative educational pathways to include vocational opportunities.

With over 2000 young people currently disengaged in mainstream education, an ongoing rise in depression and teenage suicides within Somerset, ESS have created several workshops designed to provide support and guidance of which include:

**The Power of Youth**

Focuses on recognising and dealing with mental health and wellbeing of young people.

**The Power of You**

Focuses on building personal social, physical, health and wellbeing.

**Raising The Bar**

Focuses on improving personal ITC, literacy, and numerous skills.

**Home Centred Learning**

Focuses on developing skills and knowledge to support a variety of learning to include softer skills in the home.

**Employability Skills & Pathways**

Focuses on developing personal skills and knowledge to support career and employment advancement. Provides an insight into Individual advice and guidance (IAG) for young people.

## **Eating Healthy on A Budget**

Focuses on the importance of healthy eating, shoestring budgeting, and finance management.

ESS Education and Support Services is also opening a community hub in Langport. The hub is designed to bring communities together and offer support and training to other local like-minded organisations. The hub will focus on helping to support parents, careers, and guardians within serviced areas, to include finance, emotional and physical wellbeing, academic advancement enabling individuals to work and build on personal and family self-reliance needs, the hub will also provide free home-schooling recourses aimed at reengaging families where appropriate with mainstream education or employment.

To provide workshops and courses to the most vulnerable households and support the running of a Community Hub, ESS need to obtain local funding/sponsors. These funds are needed to support workshop/course delivery and resource costs. I'm therefore reaching out to all local town councils and parishes, asking for any assistance to include funding to help this project go live as planned in September 2023 within Langport and your town/parish.

If you are interested in finding out more about this project, the services ESS provides to local communities, and are able to consider pledging support now or in the future, please contact the ESS Team at [info@myess.co.uk](mailto:info@myess.co.uk), 01458 781838.

Many Thanks,



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