A new community project funded by the Coalfields Regeneration Trust to support local people into training, volunteering, and employment opportunities







The project has been funded following the success of the recent **Rothwell Families Project** which showed a high demand for volunteer and training opportunities in the area.

The Wood Lane Tea Time Club was established as well as a huge range of community activities such as holiday schemes, exercise classes, youth clubs, training groups and so on.

The partnership work which supported these activities has been pivotal to the success of the project.



## Skilled Up Rothwell

The project will focus on employment, training and volunteering opportunities for local people by offering:

- 1:1 programme of support on careers advice, goals, and skills development.
- Supportive groups to gain new skills and access computers and resources to enable people to find new opportunities.
- Access to work experience and volunteering placements.
- Support for group development activities to enable people to set up and sustain community activities in the area (eg dad's group)

#### **Project Outputs**



By March 2013, the project will have achieved, as a minimum:

- 3 local people assisted into work (in addition to the staff appointed)
- 133 people assisted with skills development eg CV's Interview Skills etc.
- 115 people benefitting from Healthy Lifestyle activities and courses including Healthy cooking, physical activity etc.
- 1 Skills Hub created providing Drop In facilities and support, advice, information
- 38 new volunteers recruited, trained and deployed and offered ongoing support



### The Team

Four workers with wide range of skills are in post to support and develop this project. Their collective training and experience includes; careers advice and guidance, group development, community development and community engagement, training, events management, funding and sustainability, organisational development, youth work, family support.

> Emily Godfrey – Project Co-ordinator Kate Hill – Development Worker / Careers Advisor Suzanne Allott – Development Worker / Groups John Parkes – Development Worker / Sustainability



Progress so far.....

- 1<sup>st</sup> monitoring period outputs have been achieved and accepted
- All staff in post and raring to go!
- Various activities up and running or in development via needs and demands of community members including-Introduction to Volunteering, Caribbean cooking taster event, 1-1 programme of support underway, work clubs in progress, dad's group in progress, holiday and youth activities in progress.
- 1<sup>st</sup> partnership steering group underway
- A mobile unit available to offer resources to the community to access support from the project including computers, internet, and information/advice.





## Your Role...

We aim to work together with our partners to avoid duplication of work and enhance existing work in the area.

"How can this project support your work?" "How can you support this project?"