

Motiv8 Portsmouth in the news as charity collection box stolen

A Motiv8 collecting tin was stolen from the Milton Arms pub, Portsmouth, on 5 February but a social media campaign by the pub's co-owner Chris Vaux led police to the suspect who was jailed within seven days of the CCTV footage being publicised. The story was featured on local TV news and in several papers, both local and national. The theft sparked media interest in our work with young people and led to Motiv8 Gosport and Bicycle Recycling (BR) being featured in the BBC daytime programme, Caught Redhanded.



It was all smiles at the Motiv8 Portsmouth Tea Party at Howard Road Community Centre with many of the delicious cakes being made by the young people themselves. The event was the final part of a project funded by Love Your Street to encourage young people to learn baking skills and bring people together by holding a tea party.

New school programme

Motiv8 Havant is building excellent relationships through Motiv8's Traded Services. Initially, Motiv8 Havant's Stevie Waight provided individual support for a student at Bourne School, Southbourne. The school recognised the value Motiv8 adds and now Stevie is delivering a 6-week behavioural

programme for a small group of Year 8 students. Stevie says, "Our aim is to prevent low level disruption escalating into exclusions and the isolation unit. Over 6 weeks, the programme tackles issues including: reputation, learning styles, anger management, and how bad behaviour becomes a habit."



With shops in Gosport and Portsmouth, and another just opened in Portsmouth Naval Base, BR is our successful social enterprise focusing on life chances for young people through training and apprenticeships in bike maintenance. The newly established Bike Maintenance Academy is based in Gosport and is a partnership with Highbury College offering training and qualifications in bike mechanics as well as English and Maths. Call Jannine 023 9260 1441 for more information.

Autism support training

A group of Transform staff recently received Cygnet training, looking at parenting support for those with children on the autistic spectrum (ASD). Six core sessions included activities and resources that can be used to explain daily activities for a child with ASD as well as support for siblings. There are training add-ons around how autism affects sibling relationships, and sex and relationships.

Transform is a consortia lead by Barnardo's including Motiv8, Step by Step and Family Lives, delivering intensive family support.



Motiv8 in partnership with



What we do ... in Gosport & Fareham



Two groups of Motiv8 young people, from Gosport and Portsmouth, took part in the new Hampshire Police Cop Car project, a 10 week challenge for 11-16 year olds across Hampshire to work as part of a team, in order to build and race F24 Kit Cars. The Portsmouth young people worked on their car with Portsmouth police at Cosham police station and the Gosport young people worked with Gosport & Fareham police at HMS Sultan. For the finale, all cars were taken to Goodwood motor racing circuit. The project gave the young people a chance to build healthy relations with the Police and the Royal Navy in a positive environment, and to grow in confidence and learn many new skills.

Community



In March, Motiv8 Gosport's Music Project spent an afternoon performing for the residents of St Vincent's Care Home. The young people spent time preparing and rehearsing songs to perform. They also took requests from the residents, and most popular were The Beatles, The Kinks and some David Bowie. The music was well received and the group are hoping that this is something that they will be able to do more in the future.

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Employment

There are job & training opportunities through Bicycle Recycling in Gosport. In addition, Motiv8 Gosport runs a twice weekly STEPs group helping young people find employment. The group, in partnership with St Vincent's College, have already helped secure full time jobs.

Kirsty's campaign update

"The builders are in and the extension is going well. Through the Buy a Brick campaign we have raised over £5,000 but we still have a long way to go! I know quite a few people have said they still need to Buy a Brick so the donation links are below. We have been desperate for this extension for a while now so young people and the team are very happy it has started. Please BUY A BRICK for MOTIV8! Thank you."

To donate please go to our website:

www.motiv8south.org.uk

Facebook: [motiv8south.org](https://www.facebook.com/motiv8south.org) or text MOTV28 £10 to 70070 or go to Motiv8's

VirginMoneyGiving page: <http://tinyurl.com/njaxlae>.



Education

On Thursdays, Motiv8 Gosport hosts one of two regular groups from The Key, and recently they cooked breakfast for one of their accreditations. Full English breakfasts, pancakes from scratch, and omelettes were all on display. A great effort all round, especially with the washing up!



Motiv8 Gosport's Kirsty Cremer received an award from High Sheriff Lady Louisa Portal on 2 March 2016 in recognition of her community work. Congratulations to Kirsty and a big thank to Lady Louisa for supporting Motiv8 during her term as High Sheriff of Hampshire. Kirsty attended the event with Motiv8 staff and Gosport Cllr John Beavis who made the trip to Winchester specially to see Kirsty receive her award.

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