

Community Engagement Coordinator

Beyond the Tryline | Portobello Rugby Club & PYRA

Salary: £25,000 - 28,000 Depending on Experience

Hours: 37.5 per week (flexible, including evenings and weekends)

Contract: Fixed term to July 2029 (subject to funding)

Location: Portobello Rugby Club and partner secondary schools, East Edinburgh

Closing date – Friday 11th September

Impact of the role

This is a rare opportunity to lead the delivery of Beyond the Tryline, Scottish Rugby's flagship community engagement programme, at Portobello Youth Rugby Academy (PYRA). Using rugby as the vehicle for change, you will build strong relationships between schools, families and community partners across East Edinburgh, helping young people aged 9 to 18 build confidence, develop life skills and progress into further education, employment, volunteering and lifelong participation in rugby. You will be the key connector between the club and the community, and will play a central role in shaping Portobello Rugby Club as a genuine community hub.

What you will do

- Deliver curriculum, lunchtime and after-school rugby sessions in partner schools, introducing rugby to new participants and supporting the transition from school into club rugby
- Coordinate festivals, fixtures and holiday camps that grow participation, including among girls and under-represented groups
- Develop coaching, refereeing, leadership and volunteering pathways, including Scottish Rugby accredited qualifications
- Build and maintain partnerships with secondary and primary feeder schools, Active Schools, local authorities and community organisations
- Strengthen Portobello Rugby Club as a community hub by recruiting and supporting volunteers, coaches and parent helpers
- Monitor participation and outcomes, and report progress against local and national Beyond the Tryline KPIs

What you will bring to the role

- Experience delivering community sport or youth development programmes
- A track record of building effective partnerships with schools, clubs or community organisations
- Experience managing projects and delivering against agreed outcomes or KPIs
- A strong understanding of safeguarding and inclusion, and experience working with young people facing barriers to participation
- Outstanding communication skills and the ability to build trusted relationships with young people, families and partners

- Self-motivation, resilience and a genuine passion for improving young people's lives through rugby

For further information & job pack, please send a cover letter and CV to

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