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016973 32208**The Dream Scheme - What is it?**

It is a way of channelling young people's energies into rewarding and positive activities that build up their own skills and self confidence and benefit the local community.

The Dream Scheme is basically a system of rewarding young people for working in the community with a variety of trips and activities via a points collection system. The activities in the community for which points are earned are varied and include the practical, creative and social. The rewards are equally varied and contribute towards the personal development of the young people.

**WHY DO WE NEED A DREAM****SCHEME?**

The young people of Silloth often complain there is nothing to do, particularly during the holidays, which can often be a problem for the whole community.

The Dream Scheme would attempt to address these problems by giving young people constructive work / jobs to do in the community, this in turn will help Tenants, Residents, OAP's and Community Groups to get help from the young people while promoting opportunities for learning and most importantly having FUN.

**WORK & JOBS**

Some of the jobs that can be done in the community could include:  
- Grass Cutting, Car Washing, Leaf Delivering, Setting up Groups, Litter Picking, Helping out with Projects, Washing Windows, Helping Groups Out, Painting, Gardening, etc.

And some of the activities that the young people could enjoy in return:- Rock Climbing, Canoeing, Karting, Residentials, Alton Towers, First Aid Courses, Camping and many, many more.....

They can do any trip / activity they desire as long as they have enough points.

**WHAT DO WE NEED TO RUN A  
SUCCESSFUL DREAM SCHEME?**

One of the many strengths of this project is its flexibility and its ability to adapt to the environment around it. It can be tailored to suit any community. However there are certain components without which it

cannot operate.

Firstly it needs young people to do the work. It needs adults to supervise the work. It must also have a good management committee and it must have funding. If you would like to get involved in any way then please get in touch.

**CONCLUSION**

This project is about giving the young people the opportunity to develop their personal skills, boosting their confidence and self esteem, as well as letting them play a more active role in the community around them. It could potentially be a harmonising factor for the community as a whole. It will improve the social and environmental fabric of the whole town. Perhaps more importantly it will give young people the chance to fulfil their dreams.

To enable us to get started, we need to set up a steering committee of interested individuals who can push the project forward and start to organise meetings and get youngsters involved. The Town Council are keen to get the project started and we have the support and backing of Home Housing, who have played an instrumental part in the Wigton Dream Scheme.

If you would like to be involved in setting up a Dream Scheme in Silloth, then please contact:-  
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