

Role Description: Community Connector (Arts and Culture), serving the community of Levenshulme

Levenshulme Old Library CIO has received funding from the Architectural Heritage Fund (AHF), to employ a suitably experienced community connector under a Covid Recovery Programme.

Context

Levenshulme Old Library was reopened in 2018 as a community arts and cultural centre. The CIO is managed by a team of community based trustees and part-time operational staff overseeing the financial management and user access: <https://levenshulmeoldlibrary.org.uk/about/>

Current Requirements

Covid19 has resulted in significant changes for building users, tenants and hosted activity. We require an experienced community connector to work with us to:

- Understand the diverse needs and aspirations of our community
- Identify the arts and culture related activity (in its widest sense) that might meet those needs and respond to the impact of Covid19 in our local community.
- Gather feedback from existing user groups and work with permanent staff team to develop the Levenshulme Old Library offer/building users
- Share this learning to support the Business Consultant and Trustees to develop funding applications and our business plan to better serve our community.

You will be supported by staff and trustees of LOLCIO, to plan, report and undertake this work in a focused way to achieve the wider organisational objectives. Due to the need to maintain Covid safe working, much of your time will be desk based, though we hope you will be able to engage directly with the community during the project.

Timescales and fee

The work will be delivered flexibly over Spring and Summer of 2021, with total available funding of £1500, including expenses. We are offering a self employed role, expected to work out at around £100 per day. You might decide to spend one day a week over 15 weeks on this project, or concentrate it into a shorter period. Rather than how many hours you spend, we are most interested in what you discover and your ability to connect widely within our community.

How to apply

- We are inviting Expressions of Interest from suitably experienced locally based individuals, preferably with an existing background in the Arts and Culture, Heritage or Community sectors.
- Please submit your CV, plus a brief (1 page) statement, including relevant previous experience and how you would approach this role (including your availability and proposed timescales), listing two referees we may approach at a later stage.
- We will shortlist 3 applicants to complete a more detailed proposal and Zoom interview.

Apply by email to: levoldlib@gmail.com by 9.00am on Monday 3rd May 2021