



Development Worker (Movement & Physical Activity)

Recruitment Pack

Closing Date: Monday 22nd September at 12 noon

Interview Dates: Monday 29th September 2025

Reference: DWMPA/24

Welcome from our Chief Executive

Hi, thanks for considering a role at Salford CVS.

Salford CVS has a long and proud history of making a difference in Salford – we were established in 1919! Our last State of the VCSE Sector research in 2021 showed that there are over 1,600 VCSE groups and organisations in the city, supported by over 7,000 paid staff and almost 62,000 volunteers. With a backdrop of pandemic recovery and rising costs of living their services and support of them has never been more needed.

I've been in post since 2013 and during that time I have led the development and diversification of the organisation and what we do. Alongside prioritising delivery of all of the key services associated with a CVS and Volunteer Centre, we also lead/participate in a wide range of other activities and programmes, including Wellbeing Matters (Social Prescribing) and Answer Cancer (Cancer Screening Engagement), to name just two.

I'm telling you all this because I'm keen to employ someone for this role who cares as much about this city, our sector, the diversity of our work and the people who live and work here as we all do.

We have a vibrant and multi-skilled team of paid staff here at Salford CVS, ably supported by our Board of Trustees and other volunteers. Our values of Passion, Innovation, Quality, Cooperation, Diversity and Impact and associated commitments are central to everything we do. Our team of 50 paid staff come from a variety of backgrounds and experiences; what unites us all are those values and our commitment to our mission of 'Making a Difference in Salford'. [Our Vision, Mission and Value | Salford CVS](#)

Thank you for your interest – and I really do hope you will consider becoming a member of the Salford CVS team. Good luck!

Regards

Alison Page

Chief Executive, Salford CVS

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Introducing Salford CVS

Thank you for your interest in the role of **Development Worker (Movement & Physical Activity)** here at Salford Community & Voluntary Services (Salford CVS). We want applicants to be able to understand who we are as an organisation and also to be able to demonstrate how their skills and experience meet the requirements of the advertised role. We have provided you with information and guidance to help you through the process, but should you have any difficulties please do not hesitate to contact recruitment@salfordcvs.co.uk

Who we are and what we do

Please take some time to read our Strategic Plan for 2025-28, where we provide further information about our Organisation and our plans for the future.

<https://www.salfordcvs.co.uk/salford-cvs-strategic-plan-2025-2028>

The Benefits of Working for Salford CVS

- 28 days' holiday - rising to 30 days (after five years), plus Bank Holidays (pro rata for part-time)
- Paid sick leave – subject to terms and conditions of service
- A compassionate approach to dependents leave and compassionate leave -to help deal with life's unforeseen circumstances
- Pension scheme - with 7% employer contribution (and 1% mandatory employee contribution)
- Cycle to Work Scheme
- Membership of the Hospital Saturday Fund via an employer subsidised scheme (optional and non-contractual)
- RHS family membership (optional and non-contractual)
- Development opportunities - we support and encourage our staff to progress in their careers (including formal training)
- A supportive working culture - we respect and support one another to do the best we can

We are an [accredited Living Wage Employer](#) (and Funder), ensuring not just our staff are paid the Real Living Wage but also that any projects we fund can do the same.

Conflicts of Interest

Salford CVS staff are not permitted to volunteer for voluntary, community or social enterprise organisations based and / or active in Salford. This is to ensure that we are seen as impartial as the local infrastructure organisation for the VCSE sector in Salford and that our staff do not encounter any prejudicial conflicts of interest.

Information specific to the post

An exciting opportunity has arisen to join Salford CVS to support a new community engagement and investment programme

We are looking to recruit a part-time (18.75 hours per week) Development Worker (Movement and Physical Activity) on a fixed term contract up to the end of March 2028.

The post-holder will lead our role in the Place Partner Investment programme in Salford, funded by Sport England (via GM Moving) and working in partnership with Salford Community Leisure. Salford CVS lead on VCSE engagement and investment, while Salford Community Leisure lead on systems change work.

You will engage and build relationships with VCSE organisations in specific areas of Salford in order to understand barriers to physical activity, and existing provision. Combining this with knowledge already held at Salford CVS, and insight from Salford Community Leisure's system-wide engagement activity, the post-holder will design and deliver an investment programme for VCSE organisations that drives increases in movement and physical activity across various Salford communities.

To be successful, you will be able to engage with people from a wide range of backgrounds, particularly small charities and community groups.

If that sounds like you – then we want to hear from you!

If you would like to know more about the role, please contact:

Ben Fowler, Active Communities Manager, email Recruitment@salfordcvs.co.uk contact number 0161 787 7795.



Job Description

Job Title: Development Worker (Movement and Physical Activity)

Hours: 18.75 (excluding a 30 minute break)

Grade: NJC Point 23 - £34,434 per annum (actual £17,217 pro rata)

Contract: Part Time (0.5 FTE), fixed term contract to 31st March 2028

Responsible to: Active Communities Manager

Place of work: Salford CVS' offices in Eccles, Salford, M30 0FN and out in Salford's communities

Main purposes of the post

1. To engage extensively with the Salford Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise (VCSE) sector, in line with the objectives of the Place Partnership
2. To develop, promote and deliver Place Partnership VCSE-focused investments
3. To manage, evaluate and report on VCSE partner work undertaken as a result of investments

Your responsibilities

- To analyse relevant data to gain insight into the VCSE sector, barriers to physical activity and existing provision in Place Partnership focus areas, e.g. Census data, Indices of Deprivation, Salford CVS records, Public Health Salford's Joint Strategic Strengths and Needs Assessments, etc.
- To engage and build relationships with VCSE groups in order to establish project buy-in and leverage insight into the barriers to movement and physical activity
- To work collaboratively and effectively with partners, funders, Salford CVS internal teams, and VCSE groups receiving investment
- To work closely and collaboratively with Salford Community Leisure, the core partner, strategically connecting to their wider systems change work whilst leading the way on the VCSE engagement element of the Place Partnership
- To design and deliver a VCSE investment programme that focuses on increasing movement and physical activity within various communities (of geography, identity and experience)
- To manage the VCSE investment process, as well as ongoing monitoring and reporting of VCSE projects delivered through this investment, including associated administration work
- To communicate effectively and maintain strong relationships with recipients of investment
- To identify any development needs for VCSE groups, particularly those that are a barrier to investment readiness, and where required leverage wider Salford CVS staff support

Generic responsibilities (all Salford CVS staff)

- Attend and actively participate in monthly staff team meetings
- Attend and contribute to regular line management sessions with your designated line manager
- Be responsible for the completion of work as set out in an agreed action plan, ensuring targets are met and delivered to timescale
- Manage your own time and workload effectively, whilst also working as part of a wider team
- Promote the mission, vision, values and strategic priorities of Salford CVS
- Fulfil all responsibilities in accordance with Salford CVS' policies and procedures, as set out in the Terms and Conditions of Employment and in related policy documents; and also actively implement and promote Salford CVS' Equal Opportunities Policy
- Ensure adherence to all relevant Health & Safety legislation, rules and procedures at all times
- Ensure all activities comply with relevant legislation and promote good practice in relation to safeguarding and data protection
- Undertake any other duties as appropriate to the nature and grading of the post – as required by the Chief Executive of Salford CVS

This job description is intended as an outline of the general areas of activity and responsibility for the post-holder and may be amended in light of the changing needs of Salford CVS.

Person Specification

Skills, experience and abilities			
Criteria		Essential / Desirable	Assessment method
1	An ability to undertake effective insight-gathering activities, including desk-based research, data analysis, one to one and group-based conversations.	E	Application; Presentation; Interview
2	Ability to plan and organise your work, to manage your own time with agreed plans, e.g. setting and keeping to a timetable with the minimum of supervision.	E	Application; Interview
3	Excellent verbal and written communication skills, including the ability to make oral presentations and prepare concise written reports for a variety of audiences.	E	Application; Presentation; Interview
4	Ability to build strong relationships with stakeholders, such as partners, funders and organisations (ideally VCSE groups).	E	Application; Interview
5	Experience of providing information, advice and guidance to individuals and/or organisations.	E	Application; Interview
6	Experience of managing commissioned and/or grant funded work, in particular the monitoring and reporting of funded partner activity.	E	Application; Presentation; Interview
7	Ability to multi-task and work under pressure to tight deadlines.	E	Application; Interview
8	Experience of using MS Office programmes such as Word, Outlook, PowerPoint and particularly Excel. Also social media, web-based tools, Zoom and MS Teams.	E	Application; Presentation
9	Understanding of the importance of equal opportunities issues in an organisation working with a wide range of people and diverse communities	E	Application; Interview
10	Experience of working on grants or investment administration, or charitable fundraising.	D	Application; Interview
11	Experience of working in or with the voluntary, community or social enterprise sector.	D	Application; Interview

12	An appreciation of the value of VCSE-led health and wellbeing activities in addressing health inequalities	D	Application
13	Understanding of the voluntary, community and social enterprise sector	D	Application; Interview

All Staff

	Willing and able to work from our office premises in Eccles, Salford	Essential	You will be asked to answer Yes or No on your application form
	Able to work flexibly – including unsocial hours on occasion (early mornings, evenings and weekends)	Essential	
	Willingness to continue personal and professional development and to undertake relevant training, as identified with your line manager	Essential	
	Commitment to adhering to all of Salford CVS' policies and procedures at all times, including Health & Safety and Equal Opportunities.	Essential	
	Willingness to undertake any other duties as appropriate to the nature and grading of the post.	Essential	
	Willingness to undertake a DBS check (if necessary)	Essential	
	Willingness and ability to undertake travel throughout Salford and GM for work-related meetings and events	Essential	
	Own or have access to a car for business use (and insure appropriately)	Essential	

How to apply and selection process

Salford CVS aims to ensure that comparison between applicants for posts is thorough, fair and in line with our equal opportunities policy. It is therefore essential that you complete the application form fully as it will be used to assess whether or not you are shortlisted for interview.

All applicants are advised to read fully the job description and person specification for the post before completing the application form.

The application form is separated into three parts. Part A and Part C will be separated from the application before distribution to the recruitment panel. Your application will then be assessed against the responses you provide in Part B. Please ensure you match your responses in Part B to the requirements of the person specification that are indicated for assessment in the application form (points 1 – 11) and ensure you number your answers accordingly.

Salford CVS champions technical, practical and vocational education, which we believe should be valued equally with academic forms of learning. We therefore do not ask for academic or professional qualifications unless we really do believe that they are essential to the specific role.

Please do not send us a separate CV or any additional information that we have not asked for. We will only consider candidates who have completed the application form. If there is insufficient space in one or more of the boxes, you may attach supplementary sheets provided they are headed with your name and the position you are applying for.

Please use black ink or print when completing the application form. If completing electronically, please use Arial font 12.

Eligibility to Work in the UK

Salford CVS complies fully with the guidance issued by UK and Visa Immigration to ensure the prevention of illegal working in the UK. All job applicants are required to demonstrate their entitlement to work in the UK by providing one or more of the documents specified by UKVI before taking up post. The organisation does not sponsor job applicants from outside the European Economic Area. However, it may offer employment for those who hold either a Tier 4 or Tier 5 visa subject to any applicable restrictions. Those whom we employ who have been granted visas are kept under review to ensure they remain entitled to hold employment in the UK.

Deadline for receipt of applications

This vacancy closes on Monday 22nd September 2025 at 12 noon

Please note late applications will not be accepted. Your completed application form and equal opportunities form should be returned by one of the following methods: Email: Please email recruitment@salfordcvs.co.uk

There is no need to post an additional copy. If successful at shortlisting stage you will be asked to sign your application form at interview.

Post: Recruitment, Salford CVS, The Old Town Hall, 5 Irwell Place, Eccles, Salford, M30 0FN.

Acknowledgement of receipt

Email applications will be acknowledged when we receive them.

Should you wish to receive an acknowledgement for a postal application, please include a stamped, self-addressed envelope with your completed application form and we will return this to you.

Interviews will be held in person on: **Monday 29th September 2025** at Salford CVS offices in Eccles.

