Post-COVID 19 Recovery Grant Application 2021

"AD ASTRA Coaching Mentoring Training" provides confidence and leadership training to 8 – 18 year olds. We run workshops and 1:1 programmes. We also run free mentoring programmes in East Sussex for secondary school students from socially disadvantaged backgrounds.

As a result of COVID and the closure of the hospitality, tourism and sporting sectors, within which many teenagers work, employment opportunities for young people have been greatly reduced. In addition, young people are not gaining experience in part time employment and face greater competition for the few job vacancies that are available.

To improve the employability chances of our local young people when they are able to seek work after the COVID lockdown ends, we would like to organise a workshop to help develop their job-seeking skills and increase their success rate at finding local employment.

Title – "Employability Skills for Teenagers"

Aim – to increase the employability of Battle's younger residents

Workshop – Job search, CV writing and interview performance skills

Participants - 10 (aged 15 - 18)

Cost - £50 per person (free for participants as BTC COVID grant will subsidise)

BTC would be named as the main sponsor of the workshop. In addition, this workshop will be publicised by social media and email marketing campaigns highlighting BTC's involvement and support of the town's younger residents.

The young residents of Battle have been disproportionately affected during the lockdown period with schools& colleges closing, exams cancelled and social distancing guidelines severely restricting their social development. There are also extremely limited support resources and facilities in Battle for teenagers due to Government restrictions. Finally, many of them have been hit financially as their part time jobs have disappeared for the last 12 months.

We sincerely hope you are able to help and support the young people of Battle and increase their short and long term employability prospects. This workshop will improve their confidence in finding employment and increase their general wellbeing.

In Summary;

£500 = Workshop - "Employability Skills for Teenagers" to increase the employability skills of Battle teenagers and support their search for employment post-lockdown.