



## Whitstable Job Club to help those seeking employment

3<sup>rd</sup> September 2021

We have just completed our first Whitstable CAP Job Club. We are grateful that a positive relationship with The Canterbury Job Centre plus resulted in 7 referrals of which 6 individuals attended the course. They all appeared to enjoy the course and attended well.

The group were able to share their experience of being unemployed on average they had not worked for more than two and a half years and although their situations were very different, they enjoyed getting together and found the course and the support helpful. As many live alone this is a real positive to combat isolation.

Before the end of the course two had successfully found work, another had obtained an interview and another has started some voluntary work to increase their experience towards employment. We are encouraged by the progress.

We are starting our second course on 6<sup>th</sup> October with a drop-in session on 29<sup>th</sup> for people to find out more. There is an evening outreach event being held on 28<sup>th</sup> September to which people from across a range of CAP projects in the district will be invited

Your continued support is important, we already have one enquiry about the next course and have another volunteer recruited through local publicity, so please continue to pray, publicise and consider how you can provide support for the **JOB CLUB**.

A summary of key Job club details is attached for you to use in communicating to your church together with specific details of how people can support

Ian Grant

Job Club Manager Whitstable



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### We need the support of Churches across Whitstable

#### **PRAY**

- Praise for successful completion of first course
- That those invited to the outreach evening will respond positively
- That God will be preparing those who will attend the second course
- For practical arrangements for the Job Club
- For Continued positive response from Job Centre plus staff and other agencies who refer to the CAP Job Club

#### **PUBLICISE**

- Can you display a poster or give out a postcard or leaflet about the CAP Job Club?
- Do you know people who may want to attend a CAP Job Club?

- **we can supply additional printed material just ask**

#### • **PROVIDE**

- Consider volunteering to support the CAP Job Club –we have been greatly helped by volunteers who are able to help with refreshments for an hour or so during job club and later we hope to be able to provide a light lunch on occasions. there are many opportunities to help, including coming along to support at the Job Club sessions, helping behind the scenes with admin., occasionally making a cake, and more (do contact me to discuss).
- We still need help to link us up with any local volunteering opportunities , or with businesses locally who may have volunteering and job opportunities?
- Practical and financial support:
  - Consider as an individual or a church committing to sharing the modest running costs of the project
  - Consider sponsoring one or more places on the course (typically £30-£35) ○
  - Do you know anyone who has an old laptop that they may wish to donate (we have a volunteer who can clear it)

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## **Second CAP Job Club starting in Whitstable**

**At:** The Harbour Church, 10 Harbour Street, Whitstable, CT5 1AQ

**On:** Wednesday Mornings 10am to 12 noon

**Dates:** 29<sup>th</sup> September 2021 - Informal session to find out more, then  
6th October - 24<sup>th</sup> November - Course Runs weekly (for 8 weeks)

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