

Education, Employment & Training Opportunities - 01.08.2025

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What can Island Futures offer?

We can help if you are struggling to get into work, education, or training.

We can:

- Offer you 1-to-1 support and mentoring from a progression coach.
- Help you to develop employability skills e.g., CV writing, interview preparations, application completion.
- Offer you support to understand the full range of opportunities that are available to you, like college, employment, apprenticeships, traineeships etc.
- Support you to access personal development opportunities e.g., Princes Trust.
- Offer other support such as travel training and confidence building.



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Who are we and what do we do?

Island Futures is part of the Isle of Wight Council, one of our main roles is to support young people who are looking to return to education, training, or employment. If you are aged 16 -19 (up to 25 with an EHC plan) and would like help to return to college or find a job/apprenticeship, Island Futures is here to help.



Local Job Vacancies

Freshwater

Front of House and Team Members – Albion Hotel

Experienced and passionate Front of House & Bar team members required to help ensure excellent service, a thriving bar, and a welcoming atmosphere for all guests. Support, training, and development as well as an exciting reward scheme provided. Previous experience working in a fast-paced restaurant is beneficial but not essential as a full training will be provided.

Source: www.isleofwightjobs.com

Island wide

Under-Graduate Support Worker – Isle of Wight Council

£24,790 to £25,183 per annum pro-rata (actual salary £20,100 to £20,418.65) + Shift allowance & night duty.

After a successful second year, we at Adult Social Care & Housing Needs are continuing our Under-Graduate Scheme to employ L2 / L3 Health & Social Care students onto our two-year fixed term contract as Support Workers. During this time, you will be given some rich learning experiences in our Community Re-ablement team, working alongside our experienced community Support Workers who do **with** people and not **for** people, supporting them on their journey to regaining their independence. Over the two-year contract you will be working on a rotation through the health and social care system on the Island. We will secure work placements in a variety of teams that you have a particular interest in. For example, residential care settings or rehabilitation settings where you will work with a wide range of people including adults with disabilities and older people who will need a wide range of support.

Source: www.iow.gov.uk

Local Job Vacancies

Newport

Retail Assistant – Iceland

Part time.

Source: www.indeed.com

Retail Associate – TK Maxx

Weekend 8-hour contract.

Source: www.indeed.com

Crew Member – McDonalds

Part time, under 18s £9.52 per hour and over 18s £12.26 per hour.

Source: www.indeed.com

Trainee Accountant – Bright Brown Chartered Accountants

For a trainee role you do not need any experience. Training will be in house and enrolled on the AAT course as appropriate, candidates should be educated to at least A level standard. If candidates have a relevant accounting degree or already have the AAT qualification then you could be considered for an ACA training role. The ideal candidate should have a strong work ethic, a positive attitude and good communication skills. Experience of excel would be an advantage.

Source: www.isleofwightjobs.com

Sandwich Chef / Barista – French Franks

Permanent, year-round role, 4 or 5 shift availability. Sociable day time hours - between 07:30 earliest start and 3pm latest finish. One weekend day is required - but only one of the days.

Source: www.isleofwightjobs.com

Local Job Vacancies

Newport

Front of House staff – The Bargemans Rest

Experience of working behind a bar will also be ideal for this role as you will be expected to cover this as and when required. Most importantly though, you should go above and beyond, with no task being too big or too small. The hours available are part time for the right person which include evenings and weekends.

Source: www.isleofwightjobs.com

Wootton

Team Member – Stonehouse Pizza and Carvery

Part time.

Source: www.indeed.com

Job Hunting Websites

Job hunting isn't an easy task, especially when you don't know where to start.

Below are some of the top Job-Hunting Sites to help you start your search.

www.isleofwightjobs.com

www.indeed.com

www.se1jobs.com/countypress



Volunteering

Storeroom2010 1 Mariners Way, Cowes, PO31 8PD



**Do you know someone who would benefit from a few hours volunteering?
Or need to gain some work experience to go on their CV. Please get in
touch for an application form! 🙋🏻🙋🏻**

Meet new people! 🍷 Learn new skills! 💪 Support a local charity! ☕ we offer free Tea/Coffee! 😊

Do you know someone that is looking to meet new people, gain new experiences and have fun all while working with a great and welcoming team?

Why not consider volunteering at Storeroom? From a couple of hours a day, to one day or more a week, **you** can make a difference to your Island Community.

Our General Manager Kerri Salter would be pleased to hear from anyone interested! You can contact her during our opening days/hours on 01983 298679, or via email at kerriatstoreroom@yahoo.co.uk.

Storeroom2010 can also provide **work experience** placements. These placements can become involved in a variety of tasks and activities. For people looking for work, work experience can only be positive for their CVs. We can keep records of days and hours worked if your agency requires them.

Volunteering



Ability Dogs 4 Young People

Are you passionate about making a difference in your community? Ability Dogs 4 Young People is looking for enthusiastic and friendly Volunteer Charity Shop Assistants to help in our shops. By volunteering with us, you'll play a vital role in supporting our mission to train assistance dogs for young people with disabilities on the Isle of Wight.

About the Role

As a Charity Shop Assistant, you'll be involved in:

- Greeting customers and providing excellent service.
- Sorting and displaying donated items.
- Operating the till and handling cash.
- Keeping the shop clean and organized.

This is a flexible opportunity, and any time you can give will help us continue our important work.

Newport Shop

- 23 Crocker Street, Newport, PO30 5DA
- Monday – Saturday, 10am – 4pm
- 01983 214284
- newportshop@abilitydogs4yp.org.uk

Shanklin Auction Shop

- 79 Regent Street, Shanklin, PO37 7AP
- Monday – Saturday, 10am – 4p
- 01983 214051
- shanklinshop@abilitydogs4yp.org.uk

Why Volunteer with Us?

- Make a meaningful impact in the lives of young people with disabilities.
- Gain valuable retail experience and meet new people.
- Be part of a friendly and supportive team.
- No experience is necessary—just a willingness to help and a smile!

Interested?

Drop by one of our shops or get in touch using the contact details above to find out more. We'd love to hear from you!

Are you aged 16 – 18 and currently not in education, employment or training?

Drop in to:

Lord Louis Library Tuesdays from 2pm – 4pm
or

Ryde Library Wednesdays from 2pm – 4pm

and find out how we can help you with your CV, job search or education choices.



Local Apprenticeship Vacancies

East Cowes

Apprentice Production Support Engineer – Datum Electronics

Hours: 37½ per week, **Wage:** £8.50 per hour, **Closing date:** 29th August 2025

Qualities and skills: A keen eye for detail, a willingness to learn and ask questions, good communication skills, both written and verbal, strong IT skills and familiarity with Microsoft Office or similar software, the confidence to work collaboratively across departments within the business.

Qualifications: Maths and English achieved at grade 4/C or above, this is a mandatory requirement.

Source: www.isleofwightjobs.com

Newport

Apprentice HGV Mechanic / MOT Tester – DVSA

Hours: 37 per week, **Wage:** £27,559 per annum, **Closing date:** 18th August 2025

Skills: Communication skills, organisation skills, attention to detail, analytical skills, physical fitness, interest in mechanics, full driving licence.

Qualifications: GCSE English and maths grade 4 (or equivalent) desirable.

Source: www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship

Equine Groom Apprentice (non-ridden) – Island Riding Centre Livery Ltd

Hours: 30 per week, **Wage:** £11,778 per annum, **Closing date:** 28th August 2025

Skills: Communication skills, organisation skills, team worker, patience, initiative, physical fitness.

Qualifications: GCSE English and maths grade 4 or equivalent.

Source: www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship

Ryde

Pharmacy Assistant Apprentice – Willow Pharmacy Ltd

Hours: 40 per week, **Wage:** £15,704 per annum, **Closing date:** 11th August 2025

Skills: Communication skills, non-judgemental, organisation skills, patience, team worker.

Desirable qualifications: GCSE maths and English grade 4 or equivalent.

Source: www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship

Local Apprenticeship Vacancies

Ryde

Apprentice Optical Assistant – Specsavers

Hours: 40 per week, **Wage:** £16,163.40 per annum, **Closing date:** 7th August 2025

Skills: Communication skills, Organisation skills, customer care skills, team worker, friendly.

Qualifications: GCSE maths grade 4 or equivalent essential.

Source: www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship

Ventnor

Boat Builder Apprentices- Cheetah Marine

Hours: 40 per week, **Wage:** £7.55 per hour, **Closing date:** 24th August 2025

Essential, skills and qualities: A keen interest in boat building and marine craftsmanship, strong attention to detail, willingness to learn, good hand-eye co-ordination practical skills, a team player with positive attitude, commitment to safety.

Qualifications: GCSE grade C/4 or above in English & Maths (or equivalent qualification).

Source: www.isleofwightjobs.com

Apprenticeship Search Sites

The following sites help you find the ideal apprenticeship for you. It does not matter what qualifications you have. There is an apprenticeship for everyone.

All vacancies listed in this Newsletter have been sourced from [Find an Apprenticeship](#), and Isle of Wight Jobs.com where you can find others in your area.

To look for courses you may be interested in, check out, [Apprenticeships](#).



CV Tips – What makes a good CV?

Personal Statement

Your personal statement is the first thing an employer reads and an opportunity to personalise your CV. You should briefly summarise what you have achieved in the past, what you hope to achieve in the future, and how the job you're applying for fits that plan.

Be concise

Employers receive tens, if not hundreds, of applications for every job they advertise so make sure your CV is quick and easy to read. Use simple language that gets your point across. Using too many words will make you seem unsure of yourself.

Choose your Template

There are hundreds of templates available online. Go for one that is tailored to your situation to make your CV as relevant as possible!

Match your CV to the job

Employers can spot 'one size fits all' CVs a mile off, so make sure yours stands out by tailoring your CV to fit the job you're applying for.

Check, check, and check again!

Grammar and spelling are really important, so read your CV a few times to make sure there are no mistakes. Why not ask someone else to read it over too?

Don't be shy

Your CV is your opportunity to show people what you're capable of and convince your prospective employer that you're right for the job. Don't be afraid to blow your own trumpet!

Length and Presentation

A good CV is never longer than two sides of A4. If yours is longer, cut out the information that isn't relevant. Don't use font size smaller than 11. Knowing that people can read it is important!

Give examples

Most of us are guilty of having written a CV full of buzzwords like 'teamwork' and 'communication skills' without explaining what we mean by them. Anyone can say they're organised so make sure you give an example to demonstrate how you stand out from the crowd.

The power of google

The first thing more prospective employers will do after reading your CV is Google you. Make sure your social media profiles are private. Also, if you have a LinkedIn profile, make sure your CV matches it so that you appear consistent.