

TCAF has been busy delivering a full programme of youth and community work across Trowbridge.

- ❖ **Brighter Aspirations:** TCAF are continuing to work to increase local aspirations and reduce social isolation through the delivery of youth clubs in three deprived communities of Trowbridge: Seymour, Studley Green and Longfield. TCAF hosted a successful Halloween party at the Seymour Cabin attended by over 25 young people. TCAF are continuing to deliver detached youth work on the Stallards Skate Park attracting lots of young people despite the cold and are providing a lunchtime drop-in session and 1:1 mentoring programme at John of Gaunt, the local secondary school.

TCAF's Senior Youth Worker, Sarah Holland, has recently delivered a series of assemblies to promote the youth clubs across Trowbridge and to launch TCAF's new sexual health programme which will deliver sexual health workshops using a 'living baby model', alongside other educational resources. As part of the youth provision, three times a week TCAF distributes leftover food from Greggs the Bakers to the young people, this has been particularly popular at the Skate Park where young people appear to be becoming increasingly dependent on this food as their evening meal.

- ❖ **TCAF youth apprentice:** From November a new TCAF youth apprentice will be starting who will be trained up to support the youth delivery across Trowbridge, alongside accessing training support from Trowbridge College.
- ❖ **B14 Community Hub:** TCAF have successfully established the B14 Community Hub, a partnership of 15 local charities and support services have come together to occupy a vacant shop in the Shires Shopping Centre in the centre of Trowbridge. TCAF are in the process of recruiting a Community Activities Coordinator to oversee the development of the Hub activities and other community activities. TCAF are currently looking to expand their support services around health and social care, particularly for older residents.
- ❖ **The Mayors Charity:** TCAF has been nominated as one of the Mayor's Charities of the Year as a celebration of their work with the local community.
- ❖ **Spirit of Community Civic Award:** The young people of TCAF's Seymour Youth Club won The Spirit of Community Civic Award for the outstanding work they have done to develop the youth club.