Job Title: Community Development Officer

Department: Foundation

Hours of Work: 35 Hours per week (including evenings and weekends)

Contract Type: 2 Years Fixed Term

Salary: Up to £26,000 depending on experience

Location: Villa Park, with requirements to work remotely in the local community

Closing Date: TBC

Interview Date: TBC

1. The Department

The Aston Villa Foundation (AVF) is the official Charity of Aston Villa Football Club and prides itself in being innovative in its approach in supporting the Club as a ‘Force for Good’.

The Community Development Officer will help provide an identity and a focal point for the club’s work in the community and its approach to corporate social responsibility. The Officer will provide a service to local charities and voluntary organisations to help promote sport, health, wellbeing, education and inclusive opportunities to support residents in targeted communities in Birmingham.

2. The Role

The Community Development Officer is post in common with AVF and national charity StreetGames, which has been part funding by the Premier League and PFA. The successful candidate will continue to cement the strong relations between AVF and StreetGames by support the shared agenda and visions of helping people from the most underserved communities of Birmingham.

With a base at Villa Park, you will be responsible for supporting local organisations in their community with a range of opportunities and programmes, that will support them with their visions for impact and sustainability. Both AVF and StreetGames have access to a number of initiatives (and regularly receive new ones) that can support the community, so a flexible and responsive approach to the role, is key to its success.

For further information about the Role, please see the Role Profile.

3. The Person

You will have a proven track record in the area of sport and/or community development, with a sound understanding of the challenges communities in Birmingham face on a daily basis. Your interpersonal and communication skills are essential to building relationships with community organisations are support agencies, while also representing all partners involved in a positive manor.
You will have strong organisational skills with the ability to work on your own, while working remotely in the local community. Unsociable hours and weekends working will be required for the role, to suit the needs of the groups you work with.

As part of your application, please ensure you upload your CV and Cover Letter.

For further information, the Role Profile and to apply please go to careers.avfc.co.uk/jobs

Right to Close Vacancy Posting Early

The Club reserves the right to close any advertised vacancies earlier than the advertised closing date if sufficient applications have been received.

Equality Statement

Aston Villa Football Club celebrates the diversity of its Club and embrace equal opportunities for all. We are proud to be a Disability Confident employer and fully support The FA's Football Leadership Diversity Code.

We welcome applications from all candidates regardless of age, race, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, sexual orientation, marriage and civil partnership, sex and religion or belief.

Safeguarding Statement

Aston Villa Football Club is fully committed to safeguarding children and adults at risk across our Club. As such, we adhere to Safer Recruitment processes and for some roles a satisfactory enhanced disclosure via the Disclosure & Barring Service may be required prior to starting in a role at the Club. For more information, please see Aston Villa Football Club | The official club website | AVFC - Safeguarding