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Fired Up is a ceramics studio offering employment training services and opportunities to adults with learning disabilities. People who attend Fired Up develop work skills and experience that will support them into work in the future.

Employment Training

As well as learning the craft of ceramics, individuals learn transferable skills for the workplace. These include team work, a sense of pride in the achievement of work, sequencing tasks, self-presentation, time keeping and appropriate communication. We encourage using initiative, either individually or as part of a team, to aid personal development and self-confidence.



Work Skills

Individuals can develop additional skills which are relevant to the world of work, including using a computer, retail skills, plus planning and promoting events.



Work Experience

We regularly run workshops and events with local community groups such as Brownies, schools, toddler groups and social clubs. We hold open sessions in our studio which the people we support are involved in running. We run a weekly hobby class which is led by our team members, allowing people to learn how to paint and glaze items in an inclusive, relaxed setting. When our trainees are ready, a job coach works alongside them to identify appropriate opportunities for employment, and will support them to explore those areas further.



In developing our social enterprise, we aim to:

- Offer people opportunities to grow and develop at their own pace and to their own level.
- Provide an environment that enables development of work, employment and personal skills.
- Promote a sense of responsibility and pride in what is achieved.
- Involve the people we support in the planning, developing and delivery of our service.

