

CREDO CONFERENCE FACILITIES

First Floor Credo Building, John Street, Aberdeen

We have three individual counselling or interviewing rooms, four small meeting rooms which accommodate from a small number up to 20 people, and the Main Hall which can seat over a hundred guests. If you require catering you can supply your own or use the services of the Gateway Coffee Shop.

To View the Facilities call in at Gateway Coffee Shop (Ask for Alfie Cordiner) or Call Beatriz on 01224 735111 beatriz@thecredocentre.co.uk

Our Clients include:

Aberdeen City Council, Grampian Police, Britannia Building Society, Lakeland Limited and many Church Groups from Aberdeen and beyond

NEW PRODUCTS!

Transform your garden with a made to measure shed or bespoke item. The Romany style caravan would cost in the region of £750 plus VAT. We primarily make the sheds or other items over the winter months so orders can be taken now for early Spring delivery. For more details call us.

Garden equipment servicing and repair.

We intend to start a collection and repair service for all your garden equipment. We will collect in October and November and return before the start of next season. For more details please contact us by phone or e-mail.

Order now for Spring 2011!



**Contact Stan Scott
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Donation Form - Gift Aid Declaration: SCO31617

Please reclaim tax on all donations I have made to The Way Trust since 8th May 2001
(You must pay income tax or capital gains tax equal to or more than the tax we can reclaim on your donations)
I agree to notify you if I cannot fulfil the requirement at any time in the future.

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By the way...

Summer 2010
News from THE WAY TRUST
Operating Straight-Way Ltd
and Gateway @ Credo



Transformed Garden!

Some of the Straight-Way team recently worked on Andrew and Gillian Bruce's garden and as you can see from these before and after pictures they made quite a difference! Andrew writes:

"The team cleared, flattened, fenced and turfed our back garden, which had hardly been touched in 15 years. We now have a toddler friendly garden with two patios."



Stan Scott, Project Manager



Before...



...After

"The boys worked hard and we were amazed how quickly the work was done. The team followed our instructions and Stan was always available for advice or suggestions. We are extremely grateful for a terrific job at a competitive price."

Transformed Life!



Ronnie writes: *"Straightway provided a bridge for me between my hopeless jobless past and the cracking job I have now at Pentagon freight. It was working for Straightway that got me into the rhythm of getting up every morning, come rain or shine and developing the discipline of work. It was also at Straightway that I learned different skills and got my confidence back. One of the big things for me was the chance I got to get my licence back and start driving the van. My two year Straightway experience gave me the chance to prove myself so I could be recommended for the job I'm in now. I will always be grateful the Straightway opportunity ever came along."*

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Gateway Stories!



Catherine was featured in our previous Newsletter. After training with Gateway @ Credo she has now been working at Forestgate Nursing Home for over a year. She explains: *“The thing I enjoy about working full time is working with people. I am now working more with the residents serving them meals. I may get the chance to go to college and learn more skills. It is much better than being on benefits and I get paid more for weekends and holidays. I am saving up to go on holiday to America next year.”*

Kerri started work with us on a New Deal placement at the end of 2008. She continued to work voluntarily with us until she became a full time paid member of staff last Spring. She is a valued member of the team and specialises in helping Alfie with providing refreshments and lunches for business conferences in the Credo centre.

Kerri says:

“I enjoy meeting customers and dealing with them. I also enjoy the companionship of the staff. I have learned how to take on responsibilities and I have gained a sense of confidence and self esteem. I would say to anyone considering coming to train at Gateway – Go for it as it has helped me tremendously.”



Marie came on a New Deal placement in December 2009. She successfully finished her full 13 week programme.

Marie said:

“I came to Gateway to gain experience to get a job as I had none. I learned all about working in a café – customer service, using the touch screen till, about the different cakes, health & hygiene and using the dishwasher. I would recommend Gateway to others as the staff are friendly and easy to get along with, and I learned new things. I am now working part time as a Dinner Lady. I enjoy the work. I hope in the future to get promoted to a school closer to home and to be able to work more hours.”



Anna has recently finished a New Deal placement and looking for a job:

“I am a single parent and my children have come to an age that I can go out and work. I enjoy it and have found that it is possible with help from after school clubs. I came to work at Gateway to give me some confidence, to meet new people and get experience in different aspects of work. I have become more comfortable working with the public and I find it a lot easier to start conversations as I have learned how to approach people when serving at tables in the café. I would like a job to pay the bills and put food on the table, as well as having the occasional treat. I am not fussy about what I do I would just like to work for a better future for me and my girls.”



Changes at Gateway @ Credo

Andrea Moves On....

After three years working with Alfie at the helm of the Gateway Project, Andrea Fraser has moved on. She has been asked to head up a similar project in the central belt of Scotland. We are indebted to Andrea for all the work she did in setting up the project and for all the work she has done with both volunteers and trainees alike. We wish her well in this next exciting chapter of her life.

Alfie Cordiner, Project Manager

How can you help?

If you would like to support the work financially by either giving a one-off donation or a small amount each month by direct debit, it would be greatly appreciated.

Please contact Alfie Cordiner on

01224 732894, 07739 138006, or alfie@credo-gateway.co.uk and...

Please pray for us! Thank you!

The Business of Transformation

The Vision Statement of the Way Trust from its beginning has been “Giving hope and a future” and that still concisely sums up the work of the Trust today.

For those who have never worked before, or have fallen out of the world of work because of life circumstances, we see time after time how life transforming the work training experience which the Trust gives can be. It is amazing how the combination of the discipline of work, the building of new communities of friendship together with plenty of encouragement, care and mentoring changes people. Self respect and esteem begin to grow as potential is discovered and developed and lives begin to change and the future is not lit by despair but by hope.

In investment language the dividend from being involved in these projects is huge; hope and a future are priceless commodities. Thank you so much to all of you who have so generously and faithfully supported us; we do hope you will feel inspired by our Newsletter to keep investing and sharing with us in the dividend of transformed lives.

Allan Jack, Chairman