

News Release

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Garden Glory

Maitlands Estate Agents, HSBC and the Baileys Partnership get gardening for the new respite centre at the Dame Hannah Rodgers School, Ivybridge as part of their membership commitment to Business in the Community's "Plymouth Cares" scheme.

Energetic volunteers from Maitlands Estate Agents, HSBC and the Baileys Partnership will be getting busy in the garden for an all-day Gardening Project at the Dame Hannah Rodgers School's new respite centre on Thursday 26th October.

The centre has been created for residents to stay whilst their families and carers can have a bit of time to themselves and to relax which is vital and addition of a nice garden to enjoy is our contribution.

Tasks for the day include: Redesigning the garden area, repainting garden sheds, planting, creation of attractive flower beds and a general combined effort to make the Garden a nice place to enjoy.

David Turnbull, a Senior Property Consultant based at Maitlands in Ivybridge, said "This challenge is a fantastic opportunity for the team at Maitlands Estate Agents and other volunteers to support our local community. I am very pleased to be involved with something so close to our head office in Ivybridge and to offer our help for the new respite centre. Thanks go to everyone who have volunteered and local business's including Endsleigh garden centre, Plymouth Garden Centre, Plymouth Sound Radio, The Eden Project and B&Q".

If you are a company interested in learning more about the Cares employee volunteering programme and how the challenges can make a real difference to your workforce, contact Holly Nuttall at Business in the Community on 01752 510410.

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Our purpose is to inspire, challenge, engage and support business in continually improving its positive impact on society.
3. Membership of Business in the Community is a commitment to action and to the continual improvement of a company's impact on society.
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 - Inspire, innovate and lead by sharing learning and experience
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