

Technical Assistance Partnership (TAP)
For help with European funding across the Humber, York & North Yorkshire

CASE STUDY

Ongo Communities
Next Level Project



Ongo Communities are a charity that aims to support a wide variety of people from diverse backgrounds with different personal circumstances to improve their lives. Their Next Level Project planned to provide a package of accredited and non-accredited training to improve the skill level of disadvantaged people in North Lincolnshire

ESIF TAP assisted the organisation to apply for ESF support through providing:

- A 1:1 Surgery with an ESF Specialist from the TAP**
- Three face to face and telephone/email consultations**
- Attendance at the TAP 'Running an ESIF Project'**

The outline application was **approved** on the 26 September 2016 and the full application was approved on the 22 February 2017, securing **£358,767** to deliver their project.

Next Level Project is now enabling disadvantaged people to progress into roles within businesses, particularly where there are skills gaps that offer sustainable employment.

By the end of the project the following numbers of people will have been supported: **85** participants without basic skills, **99** participants over 50 years of age, **24** single adults with dependent children, **33** participants with disabilities **24** participants who are ethnic minorities and **205** employed/self-employed people. Attendees from Ongo Communities gave the following feedback after attending the Running an ESIF Project workshop on 11 May 2017:

"Very informative – great pace – lots to digest." Yvonne Thompson - Project Manager

"A really useful and informative event that can really be applied in my role." Kerry Copson - Community Investment Manager



For more information on the work of the **TAP** and for dates of future workshops please visit: www.esiftap.org