



Letter of Introduction

From Youth Spot Bar C.I.C. The new group Co-ordinator for the BD Collective currently forming a new Sports & Physical Activity Network (SPA)

About Us

Youth Spot Bar C.I.C is a Community Interest Company. We operate as a Youth Centre Activity Hub committed to improving the lives of individuals and families within our community for those aged 8-25years. One of our aims is to make a positive social impact by fostering community cohesion between diverse groups through Sports, Arts & Craft, Music & Dance and community led projects that focuses on building sustainability within the areas of Barking and Dagenham and other service areas such as Hackney, Newham, Redbridge, and Havering.

The Company started in 2018 and got registered in 2019. Where we have been engaging with other local organisations such as **Everyone Everyday, Make Your Mark, Moms on a Mission, Breaking Boundaries, Youth Sport Trust, Sporting Equals, and Model City** in Barking for the past 2 years.

We are a part of the Barking Sports 4 Change coalition currently connecting via Model City Support and community mentoring to create a Sports and Physical Activity Network for BD Collective a volunteer sector, network focused on helping local people lead on developing connectivity across the borough.

What have we been doing since 2021

- For year 2021 we hosted our online Family Sport Spelling Bee challenge for 3 weeks in March 2021.
- We delivered our #Streetball Tournaments at Barking Park in August for 3 weeks playing Cricket, Badminton, Basketball, and Football and created mini Fair games for families to play.
- We are currently working on delivering our new service compact with a Healthy Eating Social Hub and Sports in Barking and Marks Gate Community Centre from December 2021.
- Our #streetball activities are being planned to be delivered for next year 2022 spring where we have been give a year supply of Tennis gear from LTA Services which will be added to our delivery of Pop up Sports Games across Barking and Dagenham Parks.

About the Founder

Amanda Dawes has been working with children and young people from the ages of 0-18yrs for 20 years within the childcare and youth Industry. She has manage and help to set up Nurseries, Preschools, Afterschool clubs within the Boroughs of Newham, Redbridge and Barking and Dagenham in the planning and delivery of activities, training staff, and developenting documentations. Her Passion is to create a space for children and young people to grow, Learn and build positive connections while creating sustainable projects to help tackle financial difficulties that will help to eventually minimise youth crimes in relation to knife and drugs.

Why the BD Collective Network group for Sports & Physical Activities

The Big Question is why join this particular Sports & Physical Activity Network group, when you maybe a part of one or know of many more Sport Network groups within or outside of the Borough of Barking and Dagenham.

Well the Answer is, this Network group will closely be connecting with each other to form a collective network that supports each and every one of us in being able to build our company structure to the level it needs to reach its goals in order to help improve the lives of Barking and Dagenham resident.

What this looks like for you and us as a BD collective:

- A Network to share Resources, Space, Equipment, Volunteer helpers for projects, Activities.
- A Network that works collectively together to write funding bids.
- A Network where one organisation weakness is another organisation strength sharing of power whether that is through knowledge, skills, resources or hands on support as a form of training.
- A Network where you get to list the things your company needs support with and how we as a collective can support that through structured meetings and resources to address each at a time.
- A Network to build trust through social meet up having sessions like an Evening Bingo Brunch where individuals get to learn about each other individually and not just as a company where open conversation can be spoken comfortable and listen to effectively as a collective team strengthening each other organisations.
- A Network where outside help from other professional bodies are there to support this BD-Collective group and the actions needed to fulfil the values.

- **The rest we help to build together!** With Practicing the BD_Collective Values
- **Sharing power.**
- **Being accountable.**
- **Building connection & trust.**


See attached in Email.

Would you like to get Onboard?

This is a new BD collective sports and physical activity networking group that looks to operate on a strong connection with those within our community that shares the same interest and seeks the same collective approach in forming strong bonds that allows us an organisations or individual to focus on things needed in order to fulfil the delivery of our services for those within our community.

1. To start this Journey we are simple asking those who are interested to join our new Whats App group. **(see Link Below):**

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/Ge4S8AUeitT7pUNVOiAUZX>

2. See Link to add your Organisation to the new SPA-BD Collective Network Data sheet Below (If you choose to join the network). 

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1VCyhN3_00XwrlMUGuFewOWBBbLtshBGUsMPPrYr77IAw/edit?usp=sharing

3. We will take this period from now until the New Year 2022 to get as many members to the Group before having our first initial meeting sometime in January/ Feb 2022. **(So please note the group may not be as active when joining)**

4. Canva will be used to create and log of our Journey as a BD Collective Group where each member will get to help develop the slides (**which we have started please see link below**) We are asking every member that joins to start helping us to build the slides by adding in their information where ask, pictures, short stories, etc)

https://www.canva.com/design/DAEt3FOCIks/share/preview?token=xDVJAKJc9FdPB TGcxVGyYw&role=EDITOR&utm_content=DAEt3FOCIks&utm_campaign=designshare&utm_medium=link&utm_source=sharebutton

5. On our first approach we will have a group introduction where everyone will get the opportunity to introduce themselves and the company they represent sharing what they would like to get from the New BD SPA Network and discussing what this looks like.

6. As the group grows, we at Youth Spot Bar will be able to build the structure with those within the Network with your help.

7. We will reach out to all members who have join in the New Year of 2022.

Thank you for taking this time to read and hope to have you onboard. If you have any question please feel free to contact us.

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