



Change in the Community

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Date: 30 Jan March 2023, 4– 8 pm

Venue: Fellows Dining Room (for Registration and Refreshments)

North Wing Auditorium (for the talks)

Agenda

- 16.00 - 16.30 Registration over coffee and tea
- 16.30 -16.35 Welcome from Dr Wood, Academic Director, Homerton Changemakers
- 16.35-16.40 Welcome from HUS President and MCR President
- 16.45-16.55 Presentation from **Form the Future**
- 16.55-17.00 Q&A
- 17.05-17.15 Presentation from **St.John's Centre**
- 17.15 -17.20 Q&A
- 17.20- 17.30 Presentation from **Red Balloon**
- 17.30 - 17.35 Q&A
- 17.35- 17.45 Comfort Break
- 17.45-17.55 Presentation from **Cambridge Sustainable Food**
- 17.55-18.00 Q&A
- 18.00-18.10 Presentation from **Streetbite**
- 18.10 -18.15 Q&A
- 18.15- 18.25 Presentation from **Cambridge Student Community Action**
- 18.25-18.30 Q&A
- 18.30-18.40 Presentation from **Food Cycle**
- 18.40- 18.45 Q&A
- 18.45-20.00 Networking with Charities over Pizza and Beers



[Form the Future](#)

Form the Future, a not-for-profit careers and employment company, was founded in 2015 to help young people find their route through education into employment and provide employers access to their future talent. Committed to each stage of young people's development, the dedicated team provides schools, colleges and other groups with high-quality outsourced Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance (CEIAG) services. Since 2016, Form the Future has also managed a STEM outreach programme, Cambridge LaunchPad. Together with 26 industry partners, the organisation runs hands-on STEM related project days with 29 schools to inspire the next generation.

[The St John's Centre](#)

The St John's Centre is part of and run by St John's Church, and our Christian faith informs our vision to provide a welcoming, hospitable and diverse community hub within Queen Edith's ward. We welcome members of the local community, of all faith backgrounds and none, to make use of the Centre's facilities and our green spaces outside.

Our current opportunities for social justice and volunteering include the St John's Friendship Café, part of the Queen Edith's Warm Welcome initiative for those who are unable to heat their homes this winter. The café runs on Mondays from 3-5pm, December-March, and we welcome new volunteers. We also run a monthly Community Lunch, and help to steer the Queen Edith's Food Hub at St James, Wulfstan Way. In the recent past, we have joined with other local churches and institutions to support projects such as the Cambridge Churches' Homelessness Project and a 'Kids Matter' parenting project. Many local organisations also operate out of our Centre, and welcome volunteers or participants, including the local uniformed groups.

[Red Balloon](#)

Red Balloon is an alternative to school which enables young people to re-engage with education. We have both 'physical' and virtual Centres to best meet students' needs.

Students are at the heart of what we do, and there is an equal focus on mental wellbeing alongside education. Students can negotiate their curriculum to ensure their interests and goals are being met, and their personal development achievements are highly valued. Through engaging with Red Balloon, students can grow as individuals, restore their confidence, develop resilience, and build the skills they need to successfully handle returning to education, work, or further training.

[Cambridge Sustainable Food](#)

Cambridge Sustainable Food CIC exists to build a fairer, more sustainable food system which supports the community and the environment. We believe that through rethinking our food system, we can address some of today's most pressing social, economic and environmental challenges. We work with businesses, organisations, other non-profits, local authorities and communities to inspire and enable change across our city towards healthy and sustainable food for all. We are the lead organisation for the city's dynamic local food partnership. The partnership is a member of Sustainable Food Places; a network of over 70 places taking action around the UK. We received a Silver SFP Award last year on behalf of the city and aim to achieve gold by 2024 [#GoldFoodCambridge](#)

[Streetbite](#)

We are Streetbite, a student-lead charity that help the homeless around Cambridge. We focus on distributing hot drinks and sandwiches to the homeless. We place a particular emphasis on the social interaction involved, being open for a chat and providing a friendly face. Volunteers can either give out food and drinks on distribution shifts or prepare sandwiches to hand out on shifts.



Student Community Action

Cambridge SCA exists to encourage the involvement of students in voluntary community work, providing services to disadvantaged groups within the community and giving students a valuable learning experience. We offer more than 70 volunteer opportunities. Ten of these projects are internally managed and known as “internal projects” since they cater specifically to the interests of Cambridge students; the other projects are run by a wide range of external organisations which we recruit for. Every year we find volunteering opportunities for over 300 students.

Food Cycle

Our guests might think it's magic, but how we work is simple! Each week, three teams of volunteers make it happen: 1. A Food Collection team collects surplus food from retailers. 2. A Cooking team rustles up into a delicious 3-course meal which a Hosting team serves up in a restaurant-like setting

Are you interested in: Discovering your inner chef? Mingling and networking with like-minded students and professionals? Boosting your confidence, time management and teamwork skills? Helping vulnerable people caught up in the current cost-of-living crisis? And finishing off by chowing down a delicious 3 course meal for free? If so, come and learn about what FoodCycle is all about .