

WELSH BACCALAUREATE National (Post-16)

Community Challenge
Coleg Sir Gâr
Animal Management/Care
Re-homing kennels



Available for assessment from September 2015

Improving re-homing opportunities of kennelled dogs.

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Community Challenge is to develop learners' skills, whilst encouraging learners to identify, develop and participate in opportunities linked to their Learning Programme that will benefit the community. During the Community Challenge learners will explicitly develop skills of **Planning and Organisation** and **Personal Effectiveness** and apply them in an appropriate manner.

BRIEF

As a member of the local community you have a responsibility to consider others within your community. In this challenge it is important to use your skills, knowledge and understanding of **animal welfare, behaviour and training techniques** developed during your Animal Management / Care level 2 course to benefit the community.



Becoming the owner of a new pet (dog) is a huge responsibility that requires the owner to have an understanding of the welfare and training requirements of the animal. This will prevent the animal from developing anti-social behaviour and other behavioural issues. These issues are some of the primary reasons for dogs to be re-homed or euthanized by owners. These dogs are usually sent to the local dog kennel or pound and live there until a suitable home becomes available. Improving the **training abilities and behaviour of the dogs** housed in the kennel would have a positive affect and enhance the dog's lives as well as those individuals from the community who would be keen to **re-home** them. It would also improve the chances of the dogs housed in the kennels being re-homed.

A local rehoming kennels (dog pound) have asked you to organise and undertake a dog training course for the dogs housed in the kennels in readiness for their rehoming. Using the skills, knowledge and understanding developed in your **Animal Management/Care** course you must identify, develop and implement ideas for the '**Dog training sessions**' over 10 hours. This will involve you as an individual or as a member of a team (3 – 6 members) identifying, planning, organising and carrying out activities/ programme of appropriate events for the dogs at the kennels. You will need to consider what skills are required, what skills you need to develop, time available, health and safety issues along with any support and guidance required and the impact your actions will have on the community.

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In conjunction with:

Local community dog kennels and rehoming centre: West Wales Pound, Carmarthen