

# Adding Social Value to Bedfordshire since 1959



## Apprenticeships/Future of the Industry

Wadys have been providing apprenticeships and working with Bedford College since 1961. We have a great relationship with the local teaching establishments by not only providing apprenticeships, but we have given work experience, we attend careers evenings and schools to give an insight of the M&E trade to the future of our industry. Over recent years we have employed one or two new apprentices every year and over the past 60 years we have trained in excess of 45 apprentices. Our longest serving apprentice, from the start of his apprenticeship to

retirement, worked for us for 49 years. Apprentices continue to be valued members of our team, working on site alongside their mentors, helping us to provide an excellent service to our clients and also giving back to the local area as around 90% of the apprentices we have employed are from the Bedfordshire area. We are trying to expand this ethos to the other areas we are working in, and starting to liaise with colleges in the Buckinghamshire & Hertfordshire areas, to employee an apprentices from these areas.



*National Apprenticeship week  
Cotton End School*



*Biddenham Upper School  
Careers Day*



*Construction Skills Roadshow  
Priory School Hitchin*

## Local Charities

We have also been supporting our local charities over the years in all manner of ways. Over recent years we have been helped a charity called Noah who offer hope and support to people struggling against homelessness and exclusion. We have assisted them by conducting mock interviews, offering employment advise and providing PPE to those that are trying very hard to change their circumstances. Other local charities we have supported are Kings Arm Project, Bedford Foodbank, FACES, Dine With Us Community Larder, Little Miracles and Bedford Hospital. We support the Bedford Rotary Club by providing storage space for furniture that is



*Volunteering Bedford Foodbank*

*“Your Investment in Wadys  
is an Investment in the local  
community”*

## Local Charities cont..

donated by locals or house clearances which is then passed on to those in need when housed and have nothing. We are also a long time annual supporter of the Extra Mile Challenge biking 500 miles across France raising money for good causes.



*Extra Mile Challenge*



*Volunteering Kings Arms Project*

## Community and Local Business

As a company we are great believers of supporting our local community and businesses. We are a patrons of Bedford Blues and have supported them for many years as they really are a big part of the Bedford community. We provide sponsorship, our services for installations & maintenance and use their hospitality and venue hire facilities whenever we can, we also support other patrons, sponsors and like minded businesses who help the Blues some of which are part of our supply chain. Local SME businesses are also of primary consideration when making decisions relating to procurement and when we select our supply chain as we firmly believe that if we can spend locally we should be.



*Bedford Blues Gold Sponsors*



*Bedford Blues Match Blue Sponsors*



*Bedford River Festival Raft Race*