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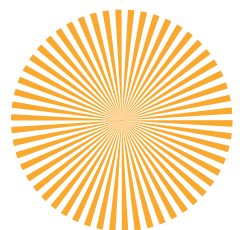
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**4 All**  
FOUNDATION

# WHO ARE WE?



**The 4 All Foundation was founded by the Marches Academy Trust (MMAT) as a community organisation in 2022, with the aim of supporting those living in the communities where the Trust's schools are located. It became an independent registered charity (CIO) in June 2023 (Registered Charity number 1203479).**

The Foundation responds to the needs of communities across Shropshire and surrounding counties by working in partnership with local town councils, county/borough councils, other charities, education providers, and by communicating directly with the local communities.

The 4 All Foundation provide a wide range of activities, clubs, initiatives, workshops, safe spaces, equipment, programmes, support networks/groups, and courses in order to help:

- **Advance the education** of local people to develop their skills, achieve qualifications and create employability opportunities
- **Promote and protect** people's health and wellbeing
- **Relieve those in need**, by reason of youth, age, ill-health, disability, financial or other disadvantage
- **Relieve poverty**

# OUR VALUES



## AMBITION

This drives our people to new heights. The desire to achieve our goals and willingness to stay committed to our communities no matter what.



## EMPATHY

We are an empathy-driven culture, helping us understand each other better and work more cohesively to deliver better results for the communities we support.



## COLLABORATION

We actively encourage and engage in collaborative and partnership working. We are 'better together'.



## INCLUSIVITY

Everyone associated with the 4 All Foundation should feel valued, welcomed, respected, included, represented, heard and that they fully belong, can be authentic, can contribute to the collective, and have a voice.



## CREATIVITY

We are innovative, imaginative, original and inventive in our offer to and engagement with our communities, ensuring we meet their needs.



# OUR TRUSTEES



**CATHERINE BENNET**  
Trustee



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Trustee



# WELCOME

from our Chair of Trustees

The positive impact 4 All Foundation is having on communities across Shropshire/Telford & Wrekin is immense and we have ambitious plans for the future.

My thanks must go to our extraordinary staff, supporters, donors and partners and not least our wonderful team of dedicated volunteers – we really could not do it without them all.

We are delighted to be connected with the Marches Academy Trust – working together towards our vision “for everyone to have the opportunity to overcome barriers in order to thrive”.

It is an honour to be part of this fantastic charity.

*Dean*

**DEAN  
HARRIS**



# WELCOME

from our Director of Community

As we reflect on what’s been another highly successful year for the 4 All Foundation, I am thrilled to say that the past 12 months was our best year since our establishment. It goes without saying that the successes the Foundation has had over the last 12 months is down to continued hard work from every staff member, volunteer and Trustee of our organisation, the partners we work with and of course, the beneficiaries we dedicate our time and expertise to.

*George*

**GEORGE  
HOUNSELL**



# COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Our Reach (Socials)

## AT A GLANCE

**1,430**

Children & young people supported

**1,831**

Adults supported

**4,864**

Hours of delivery to our community  
throughout the year

**62**

Dedicated volunteers

**17**

Different community venues used to  
deliver our work

**18**

Schools supported by our educational  
programmes

**8**

Local Authorities we partner with

**2 Months Old**

Age of our youngest participant

**98 Years Old**

Age of our oldest participant



## 4 All Foundation Launches Knife and Blades Amnesty Bin at Ditherington Community Centre in Shrewsbury

4 All Foundation, in collaboration with Shropshire Council and Shrewsbury Town Council, announced the launch of a Knife and Blades Amnesty Bin at the Ditherington Community Centre in February 2024.

This initiative is aimed to address knife crime and promote community safety by providing a safe and anonymous way for individuals to surrender knives and blades.

The introduction of the Knife and Blades Amnesty Bin marked a significant step in the ongoing efforts to combat knife crime in the community. It provides a practical solution for individuals who wish to dispose of knives and blades responsibly. By offering a secure and anonymous disposal method, the initiative aims to remove potentially dangerous weapons from circulation and prevent them from falling into the wrong hands.

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*The 4 All Foundation has become an invaluable partner for our Marches Academies Trust schools. Their commitment to enhancing the well-being and educational experience of our pupils, parents, and local communities is commendable. From parent workshops to HAF programmes, SEND activities, and financial advice, their initiatives have made a significant positive impact. We are grateful for their unwavering support.*

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Sarah Finch – CEO of The Marches Academy Trust

## Partners, Supporters & Funders





# AWARD NOMINATIONS

## 4 All Foundation Nominated for Shrewsbury Town Council Mayor's Award

The 4 All Foundation were honoured to be nominated for the prestigious Shrewsbury Town Council Mayor's Award in the 2024 Mayoral Awards. The nomination specifically acknowledges the 4 All Foundation's remarkable work with the Ditherington Community Centre. Through tireless efforts, community engagement, and a commitment to social well-being, the foundation has played a pivotal role in enhancing the lives of residents in the heart of Shrewsbury.

## 4 All Foundation finish in the final two for Multi Academy Trust of the Year for Community Awards

4 All Foundation were shortlisted at The National MAT Awards 2024 in the Community Impact category and finished in the final two. Our nomination in this category recognised our pro-activeness, development, and achievements in our local communities. As a Foundation, we take immense pride in our impactful contributions through initiatives such as the HAF programme (Holiday, Activities, Food), a collaborative effort with Shropshire Council and Telford & Wrekin Council.



# Tilstock Youth Club – the first of its kind in over 20 years.

In April 2024, the 4 All Foundation inaugurated a youth club in Tilstock, the first of its kind in over 20 years. Hosted at Tilstock Village Hall, this initiative is a rewarding experience for young participants. In collaboration with Tilstock C of E Primary School, the programme supports to foster community engagement and personal development.



## A Conversation with BBC Gardener David Domoney

In April 2024, The 4 All Foundation were excited to unveil an enlightening community event featuring acclaimed gardener, David Domoney a familiar figure from the BBC's gardening programmes. Over 70 community members attended the event, where David shared valuable insights and tips and the audience thoroughly enjoyed an enthralling discussion on his illustrious career and invaluable gardening wisdom.



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*At Tilstock School, as part of our provision, we understand the importance of developing the whole child. We work hard as a team to provide nurture and enjoyment to all our children, alongside meaningful experiences that children can not only develop social skills and confidence, and to ensure children have a strong sense of belonging in their community.*

*We noticed a rise in anti-social incidents within the village, particularly after Covid restrictions were lifted. On reflection, it is obvious that once school finishes each day, there is sadly nothing for children in the village to do. Many of our local children do not have any transport into Whitchurch, so are left to their own devices and are often bored.*

*Furthermore, from a safeguarding point of view, there have been incidents whereby children left to their own devices, are often vulnerable, lacking guidance and focus. They need somewhere safe to go, with positive role-models to support and guide positive social interactions.*

*Providing a regular weekly Youth Club via the 4 All Foundation with activities for the children to enjoy in a safe local environment, helps build their confidence and also realise that they are part of a community that cares about them and invests in them.*

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**Rowena Kaminski – Headteacher – Tilstock C of E Primary School**





# Our Projects Across the County

## Tilstock

- HAF (Christmas / Easter / Summer)
- Family Education Lessons
- Sky Dive Fundraising Event
- Adult First Aid Workshop
- Youth Club
- Family Flaxmill Trip
- First Aid Workshop

## Oswestry

- Family Flaxmill Trip

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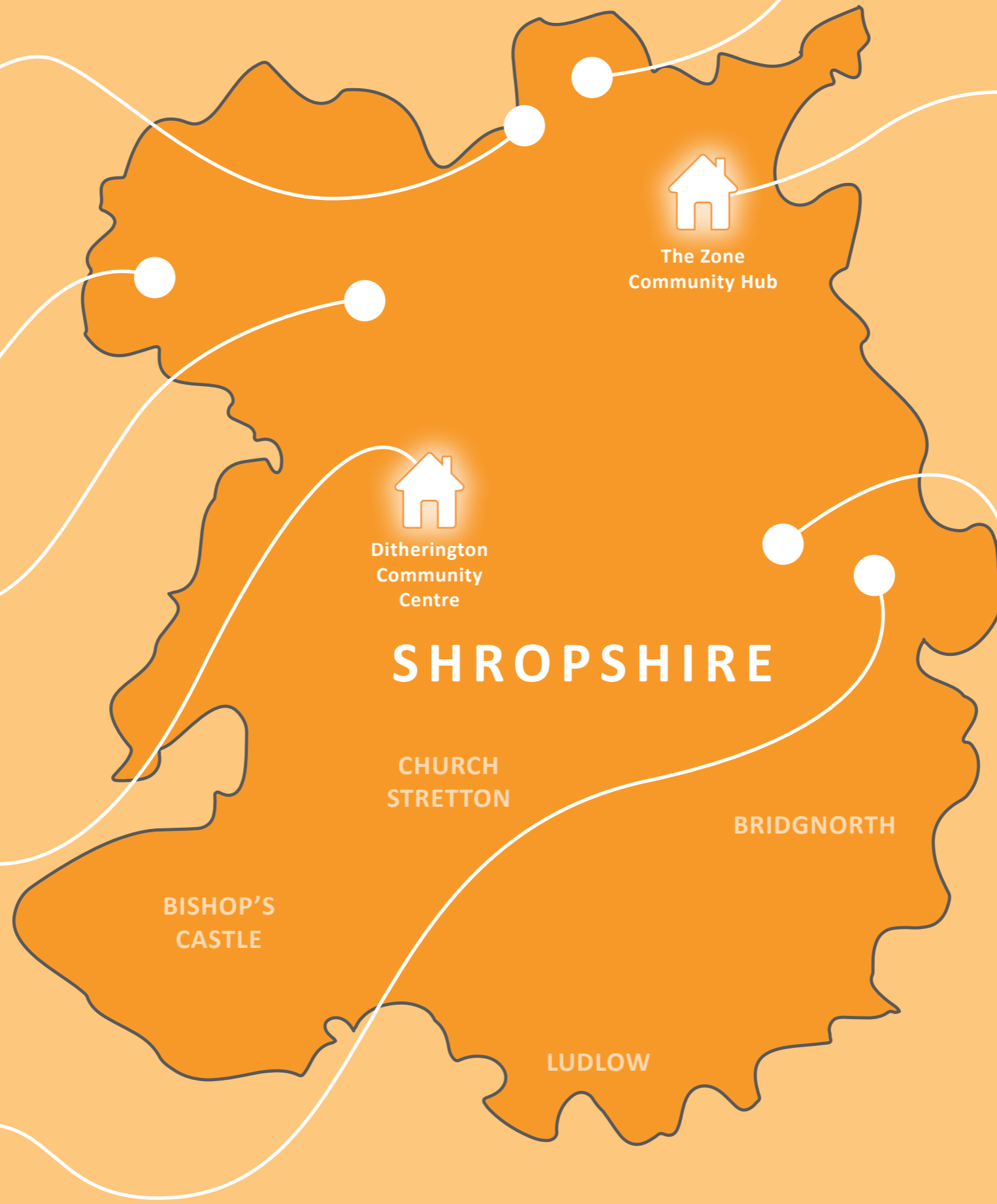
- HAF (Christmas / Easter / Summer)
- Family Flaxmill Trip
- Family Education Lessons
- Cooking on a Budget

## Shrewsbury

- Family Boxing & Fitness Sessions
- Community Clothes Swap
- Youth Club
- HAF (Christmas / Easter / Summer)
- Family Education Lessons
- Actio Arts & Craft Sessions
- Family Flaxmill Trip
- The Big Help Out

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- Family Flaxmill Trip



## Whitchurch

- HAF (Christmas / Easter / Summer)
- Family Education Lessons
- Family Flaxmill Trip
- Cooking on a Budget
- Stomp Workshop

## Market Drayton

- Action SEND Farm Programme
- Community Bingo
- Blood Pressure Community Checks
- Community Café
- Community Clothes Swap
- Youth Club
- Community Cricket Drop In
- Crochet, Craft & Cuppa
- Digital Learning Workshop
- Extreme Tour
- HAF (Christmas / Easter / Summer)
- Fellas Mental Health Group
- Family Education Lessons
- Adult First Aid Workshop
- Actio Dodgeball Sessions
- Actio Arts & Craft Sessions
- Hope Church Clinics
- Toddler Group
- Family Flaxmill Trip
- David Domoney Talk
- First Aid Workshop
- The Big Help Out
- Stargazing Event
- Christmas Disco
- Community Christmas Singing Event
- Cooking on a Budget
- Eco Warriors Group

## Telford

- Youth Club
- Dodgeball Fun Sessions
- Boxing & Fitness Sessions
- HAF (Christmas / Easter / Summer)
- Family Flaxmill Trip
- Urban Games Project
- SEND Summer Programme
- Family Education Lessons
- February Multi Sports Club
- Family Fitness Fun
- Walking Football

Please note that markers are for visual purposes only, and do not represent their true locations.

# Defence Employer Recognition Scheme



In April 2024 the 4 All Foundation received the Bronze Award in the Defence Employer Recognition Scheme (ERS).

The scheme has been established to encourage employers to develop and maintain an armed forces-friendly environment and the 4 All Foundation have been successful in achieving a bronze certificate in reflection of our attitude and actions towards members of the military, both current and retired, and their families.

The ERS encourages employers to support defence and inspire others to do the same. The scheme encompasses awards for employer organisations that pledge, demonstrate or advocate support to defence and the armed forces community, and align their values with the Armed Forces Covenant.

The ERS is designed to recognise private sector support although public sector organisations such as the emergency services, local authorities, NHS trusts and executive agencies are also eligible to be recognised.

## 4 All Foundation Collaborates with St John's Ambulance Badgers to Spread Easter Joy across Shropshire

The 4 All Foundation, a charitable organisation dedicated to delivering local and accessible opportunities throughout Shropshire communities, is thrilled to announce its collaboration with the St John's Ambulance Badgers in Market Drayton. These young Badgers, aged 5 to 11, embarked on a special project to support their community and earn their Community Badger's badge.

The project began with a heartfelt initiative: donating food to the local Foodbank. Recognising the importance of community service, the Badgers collected and contributed Easter eggs to help those in need. But the generosity didn't stop there. The 4 All Foundation was chosen to receive an astonishing 350 Easter eggs as part of this project.

These delightful Easter eggs have been thoughtfully distributed across several key locations:

**Main Hospitals:** Both Royal Shrewsbury Hospital and The Princess Royal Hospital in Telford have received a share of these sweet treats, bringing joy to patients.

**Adult Care Facilities:** The elderly residents in Market Drayton have also received their fair share of Easter cheer, brightening their days during this festive season.

**Community Deliveries:** The remaining eggs were personally delivered by the Easter bunny to children in the Market Drayton community. What better way to celebrate spring than with chocolate delights?

The 4 All Foundation and the St John's Ambulance Badgers are proud to come together in service of their community.





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