



HBOS BANK Team Building

HBOS Bank has a CRS policy on a national and local level to support charities. The Aylesbury office have over the last five years, had an employee in the community scheme whereby employees can give back to their community. Projects have been as diverse as weekly literacy and numeracy sessions at the local primary school Oak Green Primary, gardening at Florence Nightingale Hospice and team days clearing and renovating at The Bucks Canal Society.

One of the charities that they added to their list in 2009 is The Stroke Association. The Stroke Association in Buckinghamshire supports stroke sufferers in their recovery.

Working alongside Volunteer Workout the local co-ordinator Jayne identified an opportunity to make a difference by sprucing up a house in need of urgent attention for it's resident.

Len had a stroke whilst renovating his terraced house and was unable to complete the work himself. The half complete work was hampering his recuperation.



A group of project managers from HSBOS put their skills to good use to intervene, plan, and execute a team building day to complete the works.

The bathroom, kitchen and sitting room were decorated by a team of 6, and using their project managing skills were able to bring in expert advice and help to complete the work.

Len was delighted with his newly decorated house and couldn't believe the kindness that had been shown to him.

Team Leader Sophie said of the experience "I found the volunteering day a very humbling experience. It was especially important to me as my Mum recently suffered a stroke. I was delighted that we were able to help Len and it was extremely satisfying to see how happy he was with the results."