



### **Fund Raising Appeal and Invitation**

The Fishing Project [formally Hartcliffe & Withywood Angling Club] was officially established in April 2007 with the aid of local funding. We offer young people and adults alike the opportunity to get involved in the sport of angling and enjoy a peaceful and relaxing environment which many of the venues are set in. The aim of the project is to divert young away from anti-social behaviour, crime, drugs and alcohol misuse, and encourage others to take an interest in outdoor activities. Recently the club has been helping disabled people to attend the fishing trips. We have recently changed the name of the club to the Fishing Project opening up opportunities & invitation to all throughout the southwest of Bristol.

Fishing is an excellent pastime for young people as it teaches them to concentrate, to interpret their surroundings to problem solve and to learn about triumph and disaster. It is something people can do throughout their life in groups or by themselves. It nurtures responsibility and environmental citizenship and has been demonstrated to reduce youth offending. It provides opportunities for young and old, able bodied and physically challenged, to join in a shared activity which fosters strong community spirit.

In order to keep the club running, we would be grateful for donations of the following

- Old or unwanted fishing tackle
- Financial donations towards a disabled access mini bus
- Volunteers/drivers to both help with transport & teach those learning to fish

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