

Do you work with children, young people or adults in disadvantaged communities?




Would you like to support your community to engage with science and technology?

Want a chance to apply for funding to plan some fun activities with a scientist?

Wonder Match is a partnership-building event designed to support **community organisations** and **scientists and engineers** to explore joint projects together. We want to encourage communities to engage with science and technology through fun activities like workshops, events, festivals, storytelling sessions, exhibitions, after school activities, visits to a laboratory, arts based events and lots more.

Wonder Match events help community organisations and scientists to find each other, and then to apply for **FUNDING (up to £1,000) to work together to develop new ideas for activities that will engage groups and communities in science and technology**. Partners decide the focus together so that everyone involved benefits, including the children, young people or adults who come along to join in with the activities and projects you plan.

Wonder Match is funded by the Science and Technology Facilities Council (STFC). Their work explores the very largest scales of physics like astronomy right through to the tiniest elements like matter or particle physics. The STFC want people to engage with their work, to be inspired and to learn about the world around them and they want to reach groups who don't usually get a chance to get involved. The specific focus of this project is to encourage engagement with children, young people, families or adults too, from the 40% most socioeconomically-deprived areas of the UK.

Pin the date:  If you are part of a charity, social enterprise or any kind of community organisation, then join us at this **FREE Wonder Match** event on **Wednesday 5th June 2019** at Bridge 5 Mill. Plus, there is the chance to learn about how your new partnership could apply to STFC for a Sparks Award of up to £15,000. Find out more and apply for your place now: <https://www.publicengagement.ac.uk/wonder-match-manchester-june-2019> Any queries please contact: Maddy.Foard@uwe.ac.uk

