

A huge thank you to everyone who joined us for a great evening at BrewDog with our fantastic partners:

- [STEM Ambassadors](#)
- [TechFest](#)
- [Aberdeen Science Centre](#)
- [Stemovators](#)
- [DYW North East](#)

All are fantastic organisations working tirelessly to benefit the next generation across our region and beyond!

For those who joined us – and for those who couldn't make it on the night – I've attached the slides from the event and included some useful information and links below.

It was fantastic to see **so many of you interested in getting involved**, and we hope the information below helps you find something that suits your interests and the time you have available. 😊

Where could you get involved?

There are lots of different ways to volunteer with SPE Aberdeen. **You don't need to commit to everything – simply choose the opportunities that interest you!**

Initiative	What could you do?	Who is it for?
STEM in the Pipeline – TechFest	Get involved in interactive STEM activities and help inspire school pupils to consider STEM careers.	Anyone who enjoys working with young people
Maths in the Energy Mix	Help demonstrate how maths is used in the energy industry through engaging activities and real-world examples.	Anyone with an interest in STEM/maths
Aberdeen Science Centre – Community Sessions	Support hands-on science activities in the centre or out in the community. Previous sessions have included <i>Lasers & Lenses</i> and <i>How to Make the Perfect Poo!</i> 🐛	No subject expertise needed
Career Fairs – DYW North East	Share your own career story, explain what you do and answer questions such as “ <i>What do you actually do in your job?</i> ” and “ <i>How do I get into that?</i> ”	All career stages – students, apprentices and experienced professionals
Hydrogen Challenge – Stemovators	Get involved with the Aberdeen Schools Hydrogen Challenge – including building Lego cars, powering them with hydrogen and racing them! 🚗	Anyone interested in energy, hydrogen & STEM

STEM Ambassador	Join the STEM Ambassador network and access a huge range of STEM volunteering opportunities.	Anyone interested in STEM outreach
PlanIt Plus	Help promote this fantastic careers resource and share it with young people, parents and educators, at schools careers fayres	Everyone

Not sure which one is for you? Don't worry! Let us know what you're interested in and we'll help connect you with the right opportunity.

SPE Aberdeen – School Careers Guidance Committee

Our committee mission is:

“To support school students and career advisors in different initiatives to inspire the next generation.”

We work with all the organisations above, sponsoring events and providing volunteers to get involved.

The committee is always looking for **new people with fresh ideas**, whether you want to join the committee itself or simply be kept informed about upcoming volunteering opportunities.

If you'd like to find out more, contact Gillian at or visit our [SPE Aberdeen volunteering webpage](#).

STEM Ambassadors

We encourage all our volunteers to become a **STEM Ambassador**.

Membership is free and gives you access to a wealth of information and volunteering opportunities through the STEM Ambassador portal. You also receive **free PVG certification**.

The commitment is just **one hour per year** to maintain your affiliation.

[Find out more about becoming a STEM Ambassador](#)

TechFest

If you were in the room last night, it was hard to miss the sheer passion and enthusiasm radiating from Yashka and Eve!

SPE Aberdeen has been sponsoring TechFest events for many years, and we're delighted to be supporting **STEM in the Pipeline 2026**, which starts next Thursday, **3 September**.

A few people in the room were keen to find out more, so if you'd still like to get involved, **be quick!**

Contact Gillian at aberdeen.admin@spe-uk.org or contact Eve directly at evenebbiolo@techfest.org.uk

Aberdeen Science Centre is an absolutely wonderful resource in the heart of Aberdeen – and beloved by everyone who enjoys getting hands-on with science (kids and adults alike!).

Last session, SPE Aberdeen sponsored a programme of events for primary school children, both at the centre and out in the community. Our volunteers got involved in some brilliant activities, including **“Lasers & Lenses”** and **“How to Make the Perfect Poo!”** (yes, you read that correctly!).

The great thing about volunteering with younger children is that the content is quite basic, so **you don't need to be a subject expert.**

Keep an eye on our [volunteering webpage](#) for opportunities, or contact

Gillian aberdeen.admin@spe-uk.org

if you'd like to be connected with Fiona at Aberdeen Science Centre.

Stemovators

Stemovators is a new partnership for SPE Aberdeen, and we're delighted to have sponsored their **Aberdeen Schools Hydrogen Challenge** earlier this year.

Who wouldn't want to **build Lego cars, power them with hydrogen and race them?!** 🚗 ⚡

Our SCG Chair, Amie, also joined them for their annual event and had great fun!

You can find their QR code in the attached slides, keep an eye on our [volunteering webpage](#) for opportunities, or contact Gillian aberdeen.admin@spe-uk.org

if you'd like to be connected with Thomas at Stemovators.

DYW North East

DYW North East has a representative in each of the **28 senior schools** across our region.

They play an important role in organising careers fairs, mock interviews and other activities that connect young people with industry and open their eyes to the range of careers and opportunities available to them.

SPE Aberdeen loves supporting these events, and we try to send volunteers – from experienced professionals to university and college students and apprentices – to as many as possible.

We arrive armed with banners, stand materials and even Lego boats! 🚢

But the **most valuable thing you can bring is your own experience.**

Be prepared to answer questions such as:

“What do you actually do in your day job?”

“How did you get into that?”

“What qualifications do I need?”

If you can answer those questions, **you're ready for a careers fair!**

Career fair season is about to kick off with the new school year, so check our [volunteering webpage](#) for dates already announced.

If you'd like to be added to our volunteer list or connected with Jamie at DYW, contact Gillian at aberdeen.admin@spe-uk.org

PlanIt Plus

Unfortunately, we didn't have time to talk about everything we do last night, but one of the things we're particularly proud of is our contribution to [PlanIt Plus](#).

This national resource is available to schools across Scotland and provides an excellent careers resource for senior school, college and university students.

SPE Aberdeen funded **30 videos** for the site's [Offshore Energy module](#), many of which feature SPE members talking about their own careers.

It's a fantastic resource, so please take a look and share it with any young people in your network.

You can also watch [this short video](#) explaining how to get the most from the resource.

Our SCG banners, which travel to careers fairs with our volunteers, also feature a QR code linking to PlanIt Plus, which we actively promote to pupils and parents.

We'd love to hear from you!

We'd love to know what you thought of the event and, more importantly, **whether it inspired you to get involved in encouraging and supporting the next generation of engineers and promoting STEM careers.**

Whether you can spare **an hour occasionally, a few hours at a careers fair, or want to become more involved with the SCG committee**, there is a place for you.

If you have any questions, would like to discuss an opportunity or simply don't know where to start, please get in touch with Gillian at aberdeen.admin@spe-uk.org

On behalf of the SCG committee, Chair Amie and Vice Chair Yeisson, **thank you so much for your support!** 🚀