

70 People took
up healthy
WALKING
1700 attendances

The **Lighthouse Project** is a multi-purpose drop-in style community centre open to all. In the Lighthouse we provide and host many activities broadly grouped into these areas:

- Employment & Skills
- Social interests & activities
- Health & wellbeing
- Families & Food (inc foodbank)
- Debt & Benefit Advice

People come to the Lighthouse for many different reasons, because of a pressing need or crisis, looking to make new connections, or to learn about computers, or get skills and qualifications, or for support to do some kind of task such as looking for a job or help completing an application form.

We seek to identify these needs and then offer suitable person centred support focusing on what suits them best, from our range of activities, courses, or partner organisations / links.

Not everyone who visits is looking for work so we also offer a range of social and leisure activities to help people to try new things, to make new friends, or to volunteer, all of which helps them to feel less isolated.

Everyone who visits is valued, and we encourage them to get the best out of their lives by developing their potential and by inspiring them to see and recognise their own value and worth.

Building confidence in a person can make such a big difference to their life outlook and motivation.

450 people
came for
ADVICE & help

56%
Feel more
HOPEFUL

84% improved
their
QUALITY of LIFE

94%
feel less
ISOLATED



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HOW THE LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT IS CHANGING LIVES

“This is what our
visitors have told us”
Autumn 2025

we welcome and support,
so **you achieve...**

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Over 430,000+
visits in 15 years

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Inspire Middleton
Registered Charity:
1126093 in England & Wales

10,860 visits to
social & activity groups

supported **98+** People struggling with
£870,000 of  760 sought help

 **2410** people fed from our
FOODBANK
Equivalent of 60,500 emergency meals given out

800  visits for
Employability support

94% **MADE NEW**
friends & contacts

The Lighthouse Project is a safe and inviting space designed to 'welcome & support people so they achieve...'

52 improved  their
PHYSICAL HEALTH & WELLBEING

The achievement of our visitors is very much in their own hands, but we recognise that many people get stuck in a rut, or come up against a barrier or challenge that they are unable to tackle on their own. Our work is aimed at inspiring them to overcome these things and to progress.

40% Helped to resolve
a **PROBLEM**

Many people find themselves isolated and without suitable help and support, which adds to their angst and stress. At the Lighthouse Project we stand in the gap, listen to our visitors needs and then signpost & support them accordingly.

 **89** improved  their
MENTAL HEALTH

We do things 'with' people rather than doing things 'to' people so that by visiting us they gain skills and build the confidence they need to keep moving forwards in their circumstances.

We offer support and guidance to allow people to become independent and self motivated rather than creating dependency. We are responsive to local needs and issues and seek to empower people not to control them.

96% would recommend
LIGHTHOUSE
to others 

PANTRY 4800 pantry visits
£1250 saving families
per year 

28%
ENCOURAGED
to volunteer


Visitor Survey

In Autumn 2025 we asked our visitors to tell us how they heard about the Lighthouse, why they visited, what was their experience, what they achieved, how this made them feel, and how their lives had changed as a result of visiting us.

We have been greatly impressed by the results of the things that people have achieved, humbled by what they have said about us, and encouraged by the positive impact our work has had on their lives as a result of their visits to the Lighthouse Project.

We set out to inspire and encourage people, to support and stimulate them so that they could get the best out of themselves, and it would appear that this is working.

Since opening in June 2010 we have seen over **430,000 visits through our doors** and last year we recorded over 41,500 visits, a 25% increase on the previous year, well beyond our pre-Covid levels, which is an average of 830 visits per week.

We have a large cohort of volunteers who give freely of their time and skills to help us deliver our services and support, and we are very grateful for all the hard work and dedication each gives; it is a team effort and without this we definitely would not be able to do what we do. **Thank you.**

68% helped 
GAIN at least
one new skill

1700 Visits for
free internet use 

40% HELPED 
to **IMPROVE**
computer skills

31 took up  new
INTERESTS

99%  describe our
Staff & Volunteers
as **FRIENDLY**
helpful & courteous

1415 NEW people
VISITED
last year