



Name: Marie Wilkes

Company: Willmott Dixon Construction

Position at WD: Senior Social Value Manager and Calthorpe's Enterprise Advisor

**Can you please describe who you are, who you work for and why you wanted to be Calthorpe's enterprise adviser?**

*I am a Senior Social Value Manager employed by Willmott Dixon Construction, working in the West Midlands for over 14 years I am very passionate about local social impact especially around careers education, unemployment and homelessness. I am a parent to a young adult with SEND and very passionate about the need of a good careers education for every young person no matter what their story, so becoming an Enterprise Advisor for Calthorpe Academy was an easy decision. A great opportunity to work with Bebe and her team and the wonderful students at Calthorpe to assist with their careers strategy. Whenever I visit the school I always leave feeling so inspired and with a big smile on my face!*

**How do you support Calthorpe in regards to providing careers education within the curriculum?**

*I use my business experience and knowledge to work with Bebe, Calthorpe's Careers Lead and Vocational Inclusion Manager to develop and evaluate the Academy's careers education offer, identify gaps and carry out projects which meets the needs of the learners. I also support the Academy to help connect local and national employers in order to share their insights on local and national skills opportunities and needs.*