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Slough pure sugars manufacturer Ragus supports Thames Valley Adventure Playground's 40th anniversary open day

Slough, 18 August 2022: Global bulk sugar manufacturers Ragus is sending volunteers to help out with Thames Valley Adventure Playground's 40th anniversary celebrations this Saturday.

Thames Valley Adventure Playground (TVAP) is a charity that gives adventurous, therapeutic and educational play activities for both children and adults with all types of disabilities in a safe, caring and stimulating environment. TVAP also provides vital respite breaks that support families and carers, as well as the person they care for.

Over the last year, over 15,000 children and adults with special needs visited 'TVAP', nestled next to the Bath Road in Taplow. This Saturday, the charity will open its doors to showcase its stunning 2.5 acre grounds with indoor and outdoor play spaces, a sensory room, a zipwire and stunning views over a lake and surrounding countryside.

As Ragus' official community partner, the bulk sugar manufacturers will provide volunteers for the event, alongside prizes for the tombola and raffle. Henry Eastick, Head of Corporate and Social Responsibility is to man the tombola for the day.

The partnership between Ragus and TVAP is the latest in a long-term calendar of joint activities. The open day is one of three key events this year: Ragus will also support TVAP at the Maidenhead Show on 10 September, where TVAP will be the lead charity. The sugar supplier also plans to support TVAP's end-of-year ball on 26 November with auction prizes.

Henry said "At Ragus, we feel it's our responsibility to support local and global charities with financial and practical help. We chose TVAP for our local partner because we wanted to make a real, tangible difference in our local community for people who need it the most. TVAP does incredible work giving respite to the families of children with special needs. Many carers are doing 24-hour a day jobs with no breaks."

TVAP Fundraising and Engagement Manager Keith Hanks says he's looking forward to meeting potential volunteers on Saturday: "Volunteering for us is a very satisfying thing to do. A lot of our children have complex needs. Looking after them is often a 24 hour a day job, so a break for their families is very much needed. When our volunteers look at the positive impact they can have on kids and carers, they realise what a massive difference their contribution makes. It's very gratifying."

The cost of living crisis will hit TVAP hard, so instead of passing on those higher costs to families that use the playground, Henry hopes that Ragus' support will help the charity to continue its vital work without significantly raising prices.

From 11am to 3pm, TVAP staff and volunteers will host hundreds of visitors who will enjoy a barbeque, a soft play area, crafts, facepainting, water play, party games, karaoke, music, a tombola and a raffle.

Entrance to the party on Saturday is £3, and visitors are requested to bring plenty of cash, as there are no card facilities at the site.

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