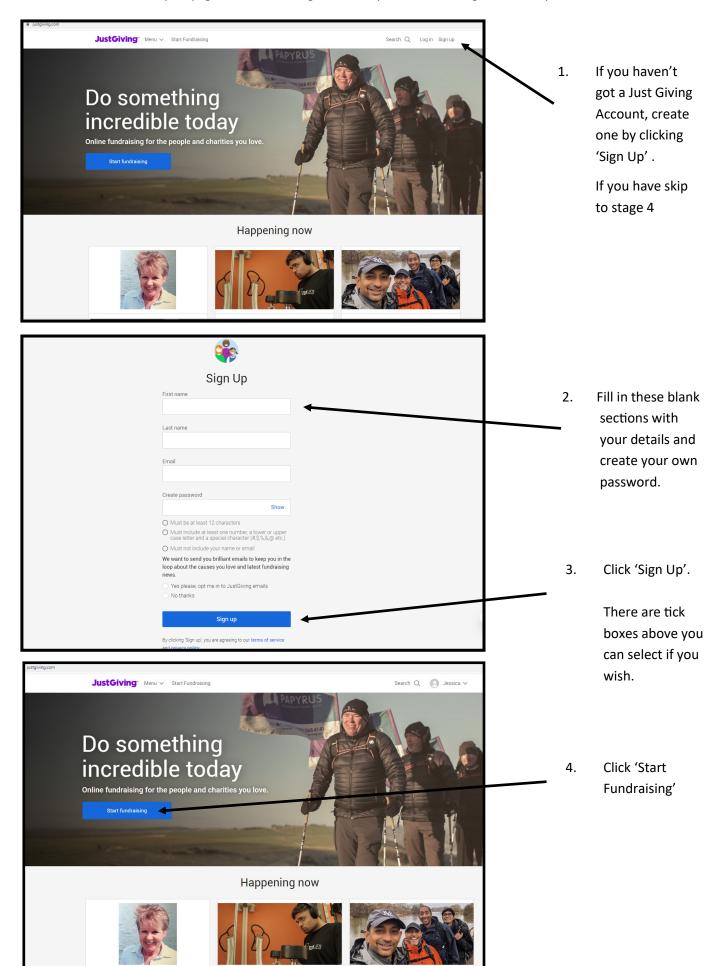
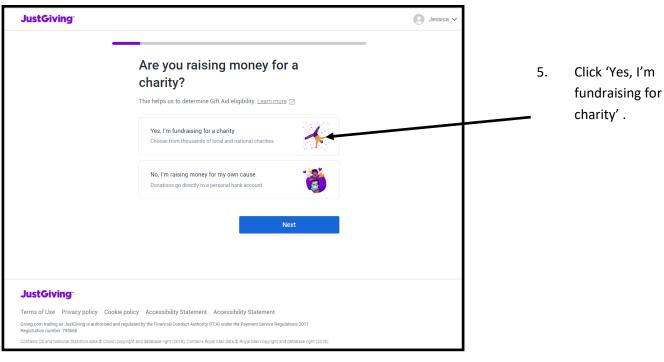
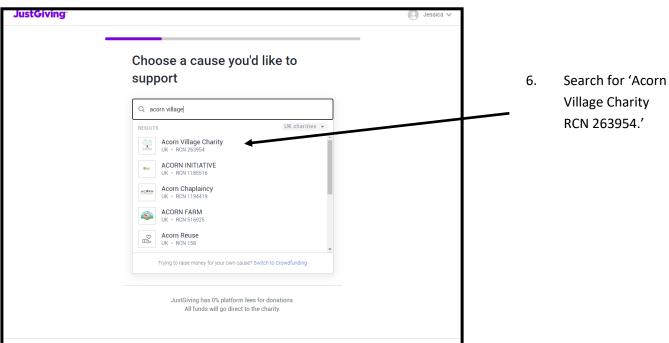
Step by step guide on creating a JustGiving Fundraising Page

First and foremost thank you choosing to support Acorn Village and a huge well done to you for setting yourself a challenge! This is a step by step guide on how to create a fundraising page based on somebody completing in the Colchester Half Marathon, please change your selections if you are not participating as part of an event. It is known that the sooner your page is created the higher chance you have of raising more money.

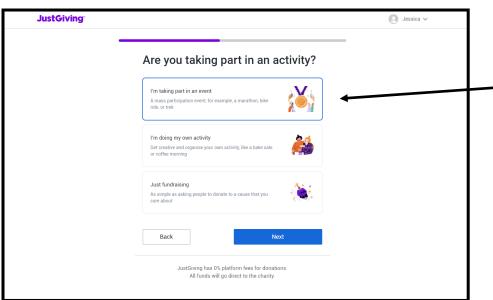






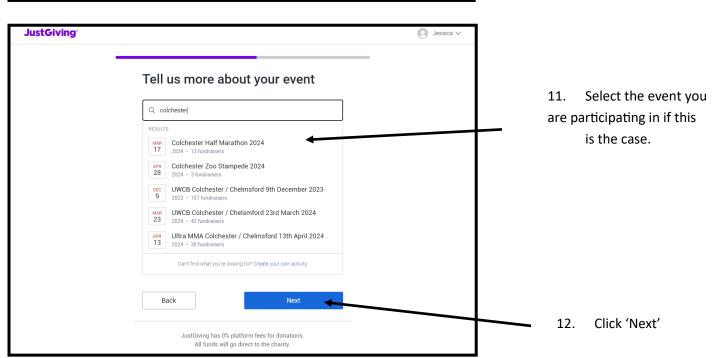


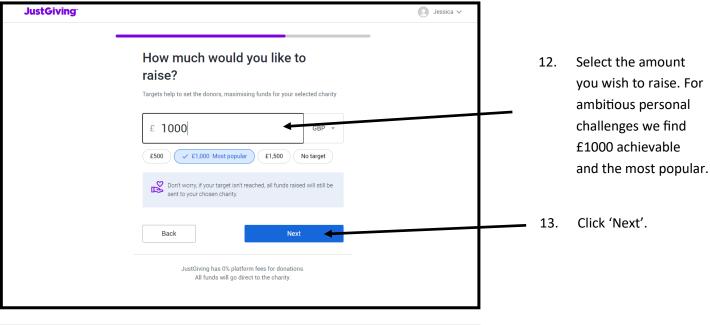


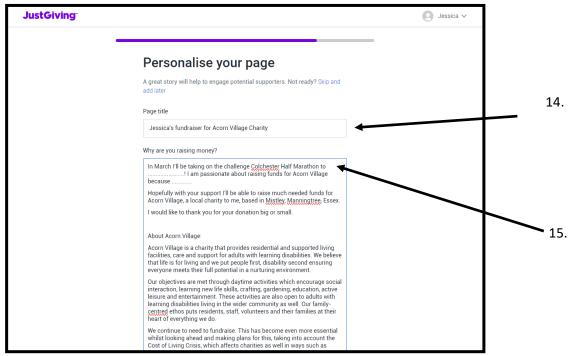


10. Select the right category for your challenge depending what is relevant for your challenge.

For this exercise I have selected 'I'm taking part in an event'







TOP TIPS: Make the blurb as personal as possible and emphasis why you are supporting Acorn Village, even if it's because you believe in their ethos.

Make sure you emphasis why the challenge is difficult for you or what occasion you are marking if relevant.

If you can include your age and area you live (journalists like this information).

14. A page title will be automatically filled in but feel free to change this if you wish.

Please see the next page if you would like to copy and paste a blurb. Please feel free to get in contact if you feel this is out of date or adjust to your challenge.

DON'T FORGET TO REPLACE THE DOTS WITH YOUR OWN INFORMATION.

Blurb to copy and paste if you wish:

In March I'll be taking on the challenge Colchester Half Marathon to! I am passionate about raising funds for Acorn Village because

Hopefully with your support I'll be able to raise much needed funds for Acorn Village, a local charity to me, based in Mistley, Manningtree, Essex.

I would like to thank you for your donation big or small.

About Acorn Village:

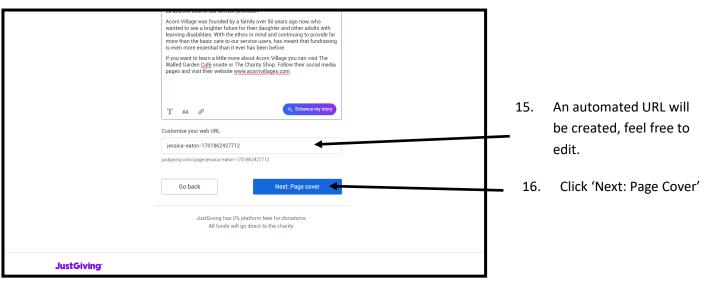
Acorn Village is a charity that provides residential and supported living facilities, care and support for adults with learning disabilities. We believe that life is for living and we put people first, disability second ensuring everyone meets their full potential in a nurturing environment.

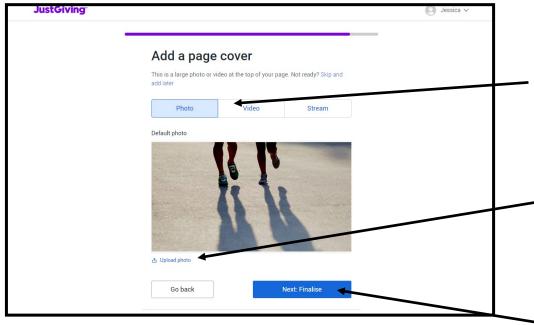
Our objectives are met through daytime activities which encourage social interaction, learning new life skills, crafting, gardening, education, active leisure and entertainment. These activities are also open to adults with learning disabilities living in the wider community as well. Our family-centred ethos puts residents, staff, volunteers and their families at their heart of everything we do.

We continue to need to fundraise. This has become even more essential whilst looking ahead and making plans for this, taking into account the Cost of Living Crisis, which affects charities as well in ways such as rising energy costs for our residential properties and a steep increase in our food bill. We continue to fundraise to bridge the gap from the Local Authority fees we receive towards the care of each person who lives with us and the cost of our service provision.

Acorn Village was founded by a family over 50 years ago now, who wanted to see a brighter future for their daughter and other adults with learning disabilities. With the ethos in mind and continuing to provide far more than the basic care to our service users, has meant that fundraising is even more essential than it ever has been before

If you want to learn a little more about Acorn Village you can visit The Walled Garden Café onsite or The Charity Shop. Follow their social media pages and visit their website www.acornvillages.com

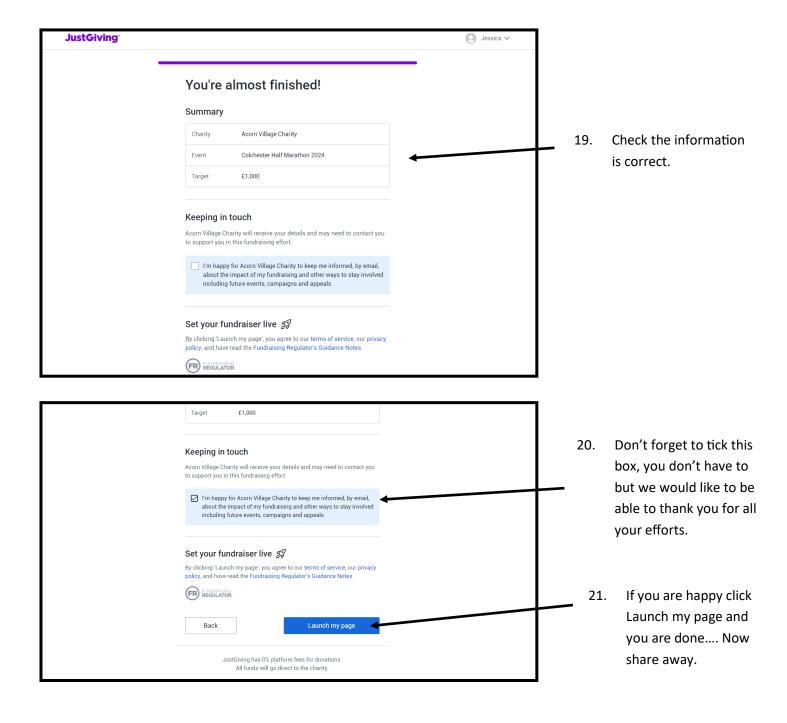




17. Insert a photo/video/ stream to be the cover photo.

TOP TIP: Smiley happy engaging people photos work well for us, a snap of you exercising for your challenge would be great or engaging with Acorn Village. Get in contact if you would like a photo of residents/tenants.

18. Click 'Next: Finalise'



DON'T FORGET: Be proud and share your fundraising page to friends and family through social media, Whatsapp, text and any other platform you can think of. The most successful from statistics is Whatsapp but all other platforms will capture different people.

You can create Facebook/Instagram stories linking the page URL asking people to donate, share your journey/ training to make this more exciting remind people to donate.

You can add blogs and photos to your fundraising page to keep people engaged.

Let us know your page is created so we can also share this on our social media platforms to shout about the amazing thing you are doing and hopefully help you with some donations.

A huge thank you, well done and GOOD LUCK from everyone at Acorn Village. You really are helping to make a huge difference.