
Volunteer Profile

Men in Sheds Volunteer

Men's Sheds are community spaces for men to connect, converse and create. The activities are often similar to those in garden sheds, but for groups of men to enjoy together.

What does this role involve?

- welcoming visitors to the shed, explaining how the project works and how they can get involved
 - opening the shed at designated times
 - supervision of shedders using equipment
 - working with the Centre Manager to take on commissions
 - stock taking, and arranging for the Centre Manager to order new equipment/materials as necessary
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Where is the role based and when will I be needed?

We run men in sheds projects at our Thames Ditton and Cobham Centres for the Community.

We are actively looking for volunteers for our Cobham Centre. The session runs on Tuesdays from 10am – 3pm but the Centre Manager will discuss specific times and requirements with you when you start your role.

Who will I report to?

The Centre Manager will support with any issues you might have whilst volunteering with us, including ordering any materials and equipment the shedders might need.

Who would this role be suitable for?

This role would be ideal for someone who:

- enjoys woodworking and wants to share their passion with others
- is outgoing and enjoys meeting and working with people
- wants to take on group projects which benefit the local community
- is happy spending sessions on their feet
- is organised and can keep to deadlines (for commissions)

Are there any requirements for this role?

No formal training is required for this role, but we will require volunteers to have a good working knowledge of woodworking techniques and use of appropriate tools.

Will I have to do any training?

Induction and training, including basic health and safety, will be provided by the Centre Manager when you start your role.

Will I need a DBS check?

A disclosure and barring service (DBS) check is not required for this role.

This sounds like the role for me! How do I apply?

If you've decided on a role that's right for you, you can contact our Volunteer Coordinator on 01372 474 552 or email commservices@elmsbridge.gov.uk.

They will then arrange a meeting with you to discuss what you would like to get out of the role, and take you through the application and DBS process.

Please note that for all our volunteers we require two references, either from an employer or a character reference from someone who knows you.