
Volunteer Profile

Activity Volunteer

We have seven centres across Elmbridge, aiming to promote an active and full life for residents. The centres offer a range of leisure activities and opportunities to learn new skills and we are always on the look-out for new ideas our members may enjoy.

Maybe you have a skill or interest you are passionate about and would be happy to share it and take responsibility for organising and running a group? Or perhaps you would enjoy supporting our members by offering companionable conversation whilst completing a jigsaw.

Either way, if you would like to support activities in our Centres for the Community, we would love to hear from you and make use of the skills you bring.

What does this role involve?

Specific requirements will depend on the activity but may include:

- welcoming members to each session and making sure they have the support they need to participate
- liaising with the Centre Manager to ensure the activity has any relevant materials and equipment
- setting up equipment beforehand and packing away at the end

Where is the role based and when will I be needed?

Our centres are in Claygate, Cobham, Hersham, Molesey, Thames Ditton, Walton and Weybridge. They are open during weekdays and activities will generally take place between 10am and 3pm. If you can offer a regular hour or two a week within these times, we would love to hear from you. In particular:

- Hersham Centre would like to hear from a potential volunteer to lead their quiz.
- Cobham Centre would be like to start art/craft sessions and would be grateful for a volunteer to organise this.
- Weybridge Centre are looking for a volunteer to run yoga sessions.

Who will I report to?

The Centre Manager will be on hand to help with any queries or issues you have.

Who would this role be suitable for?

Someone who would enjoy the opportunity to support the local community.

Will I have to do any training?

Health and safety training will be provided and the Centre Manager will familiarise you with the facilities and staff at the Centre.

Will I need a DBS check?

A disclosure and barring service (DBS) check may be required in some instances. This will be discussed as part of the recruitment process.

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

If you've decided this role may be right for you, you can contact our Volunteer Coordinator on 01372 474 552 or email commservices@elmbridge.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.