



# Grounds Maintenance Volunteer

## About the role

The beautiful gardens at St Richard's are a place of joy and tranquillity for everyone who uses them, including patients and their families.

We're looking for volunteers to help keep our gardens well-maintained and looking lovely all-year round.

We ask volunteers to give a minimum of four hours per week in one shift, Monday to Friday, between 8am and 5pm. Hours can be flexible to suit each volunteer.

## What will you do in this role?

Roles may include:

- Weeding and clearing dead plants
- Sewing donated seeds and bedding-in donated plants
- Tidying beds, borders, pots and hanging baskets
- Watering plants during summer months
- Cleaning and varnishing outdoor furniture, fences and sheds
- Keeping patios and paths weed-free
- Clearing and sweeping paths outside the hospice's main entrance and car park
- Trimming of hedges around barriers
- Pressure washing paths and patios
- Mowing lawns using ride-on and push mowers

## What are the qualities needed for this role?

We are looking for volunteers who are:

- Friendly and approachable
- Have a basic knowledge of, and interest in, gardening
- Physically fit as shifts are mostly spent standing and walking, with regular breaks
- Happy to work alone and as part of a team



## About St Richard's Hospice

St Richard's cares for adults with a serious progressive illness, improving their quality of life from diagnosis, during treatment and to their last days. And, we support their loved ones.

## Volunteering at St Richard's Hospice

We offer a comprehensive onboarding process including an induction day and role specific training sessions. People who regularly volunteer at the hospice are subject to a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check.

## Our promise to you

- To be part of a team and make a difference to patients and their loved ones
- Support and guidance from our staff
- To gain new skills and work experience while building your confidence
- Invitations to social events and the chance to meet other volunteers and staff
- Opportunity to feedback about your volunteering experience
- A flexible approach to volunteering
- Reimbursement of out of pocket travel related expenses
- Regular communication and updates about the hospice
- A lunch voucher if you volunteer for more than four hours in one shift

## Your promise to us


- Complete annual mandatory training
- Follow St Richard's policies and procedures
- Act in line with our shared values: caring, compassionate, committed and professional
- Maintain confidentiality
- Complete your agreed volunteer shifts
- Be a positive representative of St Richard's and an ambassador of our work

**We are hugely grateful to our volunteers who help us continue to care for patients and loved ones. Thank you for your interest in volunteering with us.**



### Contact us

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