



GARDENING VOLUNTEER

Introduction

The gardening volunteer works with the Open Age team to look after our gardens in any kind of weather for the benefit of our members and visitors. We are always on the look-out for green-fingered helpers to assist with keeping the gardens in great horticultural condition all year round. This is a volunteer role which would suit an enthusiastic gardener of any ability, with an interest in working together with our teams to help our gardens grow.

Gardening Volunteer Role

- Looking after the day to day gardening maintenance and cultivation
- Assisting staff and gardeners with the garden development
- Speaking with members and visitors about the garden

Gardening Volunteer Tasks

- Keeping pathways and surrounding areas clean and clear of debris
- Watering, planting, pruning, weeding, edging and deadheading
- Looking after hand tools and keeping them in good condition
- Making members and visitors aware of any garden hazards
- Providing information about Open Age to garden visitors.

Gardening Volunteer Commitment

- Volunteer a minimum of 2-3 hour shift a week.
- Attend three Open Age volunteer team meetings a year.
- Feedback information on volunteering hours and tasks as necessary.

The Open Age Gardening Volunteer is an unpaid, voluntary role, though any appropriate out-of-pocket expenses, including travel and subsistence will be reimbursed on production of the appropriate receipts. All volunteers will receive an induction to the organisation, relevant training in the volunteer role and a volunteering reference after an appropriate period of satisfactory volunteering.