

VOLUNTEER ROLE PROFILE

Role Name / Task	Volunteer Gardener
Purpose of Role	Regular upkeep of Specialist Palliative Care Ward courtyard garden area
Duties to be undertaken	At present, the garden just needs cutting back, weeding and maintaining. In the longer term the garden is going to be renovated so will be slightly easier to maintain but will still require regular upkeep.
Skills / Attributes Required: Desired:	We are looking for a volunteer with gardening interest or experience to help in the courtyard garden. They would need to be discreet and mindful that patients use this area as a quiet, reflective space

Additional information - covering letter:

Please see attached role description for a Volunteer Gardener post. If you need more detail, please see below:

We are looking for a volunteer with gardening interest or experience to help in the courtyard garden at the ****** Hospital

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This area is used particularly for patients in the *** Unit which is an NHS Specialist Palliative Care Ward which provides holistic and individualised care tailored to the needs of the patient. This is an important space for patients to spend time with family and friends throughout their time on the ward. The space is also used by ward staff during their lunch periods. Although busier over the middle of the day, it is mostly a quiet, reflective space, with one corner a dedicated commemorative area. The garden has the look and feel of a well-managed and mature garden, and we are

looking for anyone who would have a few hours spare a week or even every few weeks to help maintain this important area.

Mileage from home to the Hospital could be claimed by the volunteer plus free parking at the Hospital would be arranged.

Support and appropriate training will be provided.