

Role - Gardener

Arthur Rank Hospice is committed to inclusivity, respect, fairness, engagement and equality of opportunity for our patients and their families, our staff and trustees, our volunteers and our supporters. We value the strength that comes with difference and the positive contribution that diversity brings to our community.

Would you like to apply for this role?

Go to <https://www.arhc.org.uk/join-us/volunteer-opportunities/>, click 'Apply Now'

Aim: Our grounds are a great space for patients, visitors and staff to enjoy. We rely on our volunteer gardeners to keep them maintained and beautiful

Reporting to: Facilities Manager

Shifts: Flexible

Main Responsibilities

- Be able to maintain the day-to-day garden maintenance work
- Perform tasks such as weeding, edging, mulching, planting, cutting back and deadheading.
- Tie up climbing plants as needed
- To sweep paths and remove leaves whenever required
- Water flower beds in particular the back of the beds under the eaves
- You will not be expected to prune unless specifically asked to do so
- Use trowel, fork and gloves provided (or bring your own if you prefer)
- Remove waste or ask the facilities team to help you
- Please do not use any chemical sprays. If there are problems e.g. greenfly, please inform Reception - this is the responsibility of the Facilities Department
- You are important in making sure things run smoothly and safely as possible - this includes getting to know health and safety and evacuation procedures

General Responsibilities

- Telephone the Hospice as soon as possible if unable to fulfil your commitment so that replacement cover can be arranged.
- Maintain strict confidentiality at all times
- To support the Hospice in its aims and missions
- Attend or contribute to volunteer meetings whenever possible
- To adhere to the Volunteer policies and procedures set out in your training and induction

Benefits of volunteering in this role

- An opportunity to make a difference and support your local community
- Develop new skills and experiences to add to your CV or University application
- An opportunity to be part of a professional team and contribute to a very worthwhile cause
- Training and induction relevant to the role
- Reasonable out of pocket expenses will be reimbursed

Person Specification

Applicable to all roles	Role Specific
To be non-judgemental, kind and compassionate in all your interactions	Enthusiastic around working in an outdoor environment
To ensure you maintain confidentiality	Be fit enough to work in the garden for two hours
To adhere to the boundaries of a volunteer role	Be willing to work in a team Have some knowledge of gardening
To be proactive in seeking support or supervision when needed	Able to respect patients. / visitors' confidentiality

Will this role require a DBS check? No

If you're interested, please head to our website at <https://www.arhc.org.uk/join-us/volunteer-opportunities/> to apply online. For enquiries, please email or phone our Voluntary Services Team at volunteer@arhc.org.uk or 01223 675872

