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# **Grow With Us Volunteer Role Description**

Shuttlewood Clarke Foundation, Ulverscroft Grange, Whitwick Road, Markfield, LE67 9QB

## About this role

Based at Ulverscroft Grange, the Shuttlewood Clarke Foundation runs a community allotment project for young people from local schools. Volunteers are required to assist with aiding the young people, sharing enthusiasm and knowledge, and maintaining the allotments in their absence.

Garden tasks will inevitably involve bending, crouching, and time spent kneeling, with some tasks being physically demanding, for example digging, mulching and raking. Therefore, a reasonable level of physical fitness is required

#### What's involved:

- Keen interest in gardening, growing vegetables and sharing skills.
- Some experience of working with young people and/or disabilities desirable, but not essential. Guidance will be given.
- Outdoor work in most weathers.
- Manual labour including weeding, watering, planting, pruning and litter picking.
- Looking after the hand tools and keeping them in a good condition
- Keeping pathways clean and clear of debris.
- Keeping staff informed if there are any issues, e.g., any problems or concerns
  with the areas you are working; sharps or hazardous waste found in these
  areas; any other site issues such as problems with visitors.

### Skills and Qualities needed:

- Have some experience of gardening or horticulture and use of hand tools or a willingness to learn
- Have a reasonable level of fitness to work outdoors (garden tasks can be physically demanding)
- Be willing to work outdoors
- Have a friendly personality and enjoy meeting people
- Be punctual for all shifts
- Enjoy working as part of a team and have good communication skills
- Be reliable, patient, and keen to share your enthusiasm



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### **Time commitment**

Our allotments are open from Monday to Friday between the hours of 10am and 3.00pm, many of our volunteers are in on Tuesdays and Fridays so these tend to be good days to meet the rest of the team and plan work, however, the days are flexible to suit your availability.

#### We will:

- Provide a volunteer induction prior to your first day
- Provide appropriate training
- Provide volunteer PPE and equipment
- Provide you with a Volunteer Co-ordinator who will offer support in your role.

## How to apply

To find out more, and express an interest in the role, please contact our volunteer coordinator, Rachel, by emailing <a href="mailto:hello@shuttlewood-clarke.org">hello@shuttlewood-clarke.org</a> or by phone on 01530 244914 or click on the QR code below.

