

# Volunteering at the Green Patch



**The Green Patch is an award winning 2.5 acre community garden nestled in the heart of England, hosting volunteer days, children's clubs, education sessions and family events. The Green Patch features a community garden with four large polytunnels, beehives, a health and wellbeing garden, grass paddock, free play areas, beehives, a wildlife orchard and wildlife ponds. There are ducks, chickens, rabbits, and....a cat.**

### **Volunteering days at the Green Patch**

Thank you for your interest in volunteering at the Green Patch.

Our volunteer days are usually lively events with between 5 and 30 volunteers on any given day. Our volunteer days are every Tuesday and Thursday from 10am-3pm, most weeks of the year. Volunteers are essential to what make the Green Patch the extraordinary place it is, and you are most welcome to come down and join in.

### **Volunteering opportunities at the Green Patch**

There are several different types of activities for volunteers at the Green Patch. If you have a preference for the kind of work you'd like to do please let us know and we'll try to accommodate your interests.

Regular volunteering activities include:

- Horticulture
- Vegetable growing (for our veg-box scheme)
- Herb growing
- Food forestry
- Flower growing
- Heritage apple trees
- Ornamental gardening
- Livestock care (Chickens, Ducks, Rabbits)
- Woodworking
- Upcycling and maintenance
- Bee keeping
- Composting
- Administration work
- Cooking
- Organising
- Painting
- Outreach
- Or maybe you have a new idea?



Volunteering is an opportunity for volunteers to learn new skills, as a means to connecting with your local community and as a way of making new friends.

Our volunteer days include:

- a volunteer meeting every Tuesday morning
- free tea and coffee
- free lunch on most Tuesdays

The Green Patch also features a food bank from which volunteers, as local community members, are welcome to collect free food.

### **Who can volunteer?**

Anyone over the age of 16 is welcome to volunteer at the Green Patch. The Green Patch is a wheelchair accessible site and we provide raised beds for wheelchair users. We support people with disability or mental health issues.

### **What do I have to do to volunteer?**

Just come down to the patch on one of our volunteering days and make yourself known to the site team. We'll give you a tour of the site and introduction to volunteering at the Green Patch.

We ask all volunteers to fill in a registration form with your contact details so we can keep them on record in case of emergencies, etc.



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