

Volunteer Role Description

Role Title	Residents Support - Gardener/Cleaner
Department	Families
Reporting to	Gary Hankinson
Hours	Any weekday Flexible hours possibly just an hour or two per week
Location	Cotton Hall, Chester
Purpose/Summary of Role	To help encourage resident families to complete gardening or cleaning in communal areas or their own self-contained home.
Description of Tasks	Liaise with staff and work as directed to support residents to complete any cleaning or gardening tasks, eg encourage and motivate residents to sort and organise toys/clothes, change bedding, take rubbish to the bin compound, clean fridge & oven, consider 'safety in the home', remove weeds from paths and garden, pick up litter, sow seeds and tend seedlings, plant out vegetables and flowers in the kitchen garden, tend to the sensory garden, all the above will involve some manual handling.
Skills and abilities/Qualifications	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Good working knowledge of Health & Safety including manual handling• Physically fit• Ability to communicate with and relate to others who might have limited knowledge and/or experience in cleaning/gardening• Knowledge of COSHH• Friendly outgoing personality• Good sense of humour, calm and level headed• Knowledge of safeguarding although we can offer workshops on Safeguarding• Patient, reliable, resilient, organised• Good listener, ability to relate to vulnerable adults, calm in a difficult situation, knowledge of de-escalation techniques.• Can commit to at least 6 months volunteering in the role of cleaner/gardener