

Volunteer Allotment Helper Role Description

The Role: LeatherHead Start is keen to offer our clients opportunities to learn new skills. We have an allotment on the Barnet Wood Lane allotment site where we encourage our clients to get involved with all the preparing, planting and maintaining required throughout the year. The produce is used for our new Social Enterprise which manufactures a range of pickles and chutney products to sell at local markets. However, because of the nature of our client group, having a team of volunteers to help out is essential – especially in the summer months when frequent watering is needed and weeds grow in abundance!

Supported by: Volunteer Allotment Manager and hostel project workers.

Key tasks:

- » Watering
- » Weeding
- » Planting
- » Harvesting
- » Spreading wood chip on the paths when needed
- » Cheerful interaction with any clients that join in

Skills and experience required:

- » Have a friendly personality and the ability to work well within a team
- » Willingness to work with people who have a variety of support needs
- » Are committed and reliable
- » Good communication skills
- » Good organisational skills
- » Knowledge of gardening/horticultural skills helpful but not necessary

Time Commitment: Flexible to suit your availability! You can help out on a regular, weekly basis or be an 'on call' extra pair of hands for a work party or as part of a watering rota in the summer months. The choice is entirely yours.