

# Involvement Activity Supporter Role description

Together we are help and hope for everyone living with dementia



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## Why we need you

You'll be supporting local and national Involvement activities which enable people affected by dementia to have a voice.

They do this by using their experiences to influence the work of Alzheimer's Society and the health and social care environment on matters to improve the quality of their lives.



## What you will be doing

- Offering appropriate practical support to individuals taking part in Involvement activities.
- Accompanying a person affected by dementia, if required, to Involvement activities (you may transport them to activities, by car, on foot or by public transport).
- Engaging with people affected by dementia to support the coordination of Involvement events, either in person or online.
- Support with administration tasks for activities and events for example making phone calls.
- Following our Involvement specifications and best practice.



## This role will suit you if you

- Are passionate about enabling people affected by dementia to share their experiences.
- Have an understanding of dementia and its impact on people and their needs.
- Can demonstrate empathy, compassion and patience.
- Are organised and have good communication skills, especially listening.



## What you can expect from us

- We will make you feel welcome, included and respected.
- You will receive training, ongoing supervision and support.
- You can claim pre-agreed out of pocket expenses (for example, travel) in line with our policy.
- We'll keep you up to date with relevant policies and procedures that apply to your role.
- You'll have access to learning, development and engagement opportunities for volunteers.



## What we need from you

To ensure the safety and security of people with dementia we ask for:

- Two references and proof of identity.
- You will need to complete a criminal record check, in line with the legal requirements. A criminal record will not necessarily stop you being able to carry out this role.
- To put the role into practice most effectively volunteers are recommended to continue for at least 6 months.
- Learning at the start will take about 2-3 hours, followed by periodic refreshers.
- You will need your own computer, internet access and phone.