

# Dementia Voice Group Support Volunteer

## Role description

Together we are help and hope for everyone living with dementia



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## Why we need you

You'll play a key role in supporting local Dementia Voice activities to enable people living with dementia to engage in meaningful activities within a group setting, either online or face-to-face.

You will enable them 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

- Helping to set up the room and tidying away at the end of the group.
- Preparing and distributing refreshments.
- Welcoming and talking to people living with dementia.
- Assisting people living with dementia to engage in Dementia Voice activities.
- Some potential light administration duties, such as registering attendees or taking minutes.
- If supporting an online group, enabling people to join in the conversation.



## This role will suit you if you

- Are aware of or are interested in learning about dementia and its impact on people and their needs and enabling them to share their experiences.
- Can demonstrate empathy, compassion and patience.
- Have good communication skills, especially listening, and are organised.
- Enjoy meeting new people and being part of a team.



## 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 (e.g. 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.
- 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 hours, followed by periodic refreshers.
- You will need your own computer, internet access and phone.