## **Volunteer Task Description**

Our Young Carers Service supports children who are caring for a family member with a long term health condition. We provide support to reduce the impact of the caring role on the children and to support their families to cope with their condition. Our activities give the young carers much needed respite, and a chance to socialise with other young carers.

| Volunteer role /<br>Title                     | Young Carers Volunteer  |
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| Based At                                      | Out in the community  Liaising with the Young Carers team in the main office – Ripley.  Tel: 01773 833 833  |
| Purpose                                       | To help transport young carers to activities and to supervise and participate in these activities, engaging with the young carers and helping them to socialise.  |
| Time & Other<br>Requirements                  | School holidays and occasional evenings and weekends Dates/times will be scheduled around 2 weeks before each holiday period. Evening and weekend events will be notified as far in advance as possible. Activities run for either a half day or full day. Evening activities for around 2 hours. Activities are delivered across the whole county, with young carers invited to activities within their local area. You need to be a car driver with business insurance. You would need to have a DBS. |
| Responsibilities                              | Depending on the activity; Transporting young carers to the activity, participating in the activity, supporting young carers to interact with others, supervising young carers, recording feedback from young carers about the activity, liaising with the Activities Coordinator to support logistics, reporting any safeguarding concerns or comments made by young carers to the Activities Co-ordinator.  |
| Experience/Skills<br>you will need to<br>have | Be confident interacting with children and young people. Reliable and well organised to travel to different locations. Enjoy working with children and young people. Clear communication skills, patience, good sense of humour.  |
| Training given                                | Full DCA Induction including meeting the Activities Co-ordinator for an overview of the running of activities.  |
| Supervision/<br>Evaluation                    | <ul> <li>You will need to complete an application form and provide us with the names and contacts of two people who can provide a reference for you, that have known you for at least 12 months (postal, email or phone reference)</li> <li>Once references are received, the volunteer coordinator or named contact will provide your induction and any ongoing training or support.</li> </ul>  |
| Any other comments                            | This is an excellent opportunity to support our Young Carers and reduce their social isolation by enabling them to attend activities.   |

| Your involvement will help us to provide more activities, and to include more young carers. |
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