

Volunteer Vision eNewsletter



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We promote, recruit and support volunteers in making a positive difference to enhance patient experience and the quality of our services at LPT

Welcome to our 25th edition! We hope you are enjoying the summer, we have been very busy behind the scenes with the recovery of our volunteers, thank you for being a Leicestershire Partnership Trust volunteer, we hope to welcome you back very soon.

You should have received an invite to our virtual NHS big tea on Thursday, 15 July at 1.30pm, please let us know if you would like to come and we will send you a goody bag!



Volunteer Corner

We would like to give you the opportunity to contribute to our future newsletters.

Do you have a local recipe, photo, something unusual growing in your garden or an interest you would like to share? We look forward to receiving your ideas, just send to the volunteering email address below for us to feature in our Autumn newsletter.

Sad News from Voluntary Transport



It is with a heavy heart that we are sorry to inform you of the passing away of our volunteer Will Coulthard. Will was a volunteer driver since 2013, he also supported in other areas and made a huge difference to LPT, he was such a valued member of the team.

Will will be sorely missed by the Volunteering team.

Recovery of Volunteers



After a year like no other, it's clear we need time out to reflect, re-set and rebuild ourselves and the way we work. In May the Trust ran a series of BIG conversations to hear staff views on how we shape our road to 'recovery'. Volunteers also had a chance to share their views, thanks to those volunteers who attended. Our voluntary Drivers cannot wait to get back and are looking forward to transporting patients again.

Refresher mandatory training for volunteers

Many of you know that we are working hard behind the scenes to recover volunteering and we are nearly there.

As roles are brought back, there will be adjustments made to the way you volunteer and we hope to work with you ensure this is as smooth as possible, we will be contacting you very soon to complete Risk Assessments and other relevant paperwork, as well as working with you to complete your mandatory training.

Welfare Volunteer Callers

The Volunteering Team and a small group of volunteers have been working at creating a bespoke telephone service to offer social support to Leicestershire Partnership Trust service users.



The service is to support service users who are perhaps lonely, isolated, in hospital, just been discharged from hospital, unable to attend social groups and in need of individual support and someone who would welcome a regular social chat.

We are looking at “going live” with the Welfare Calls on the 12th of July and although the initial stage will be limited to a selected Community Hospital, it is something that we would like to continue to grow and extend the support across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland.

If you would like to express your interest in supporting this service in the future, then please do contact the team to find out more!



Thank you to all our wonderful volunteers who gave up their time to support our staff and patients and to those who are patiently waiting to return.

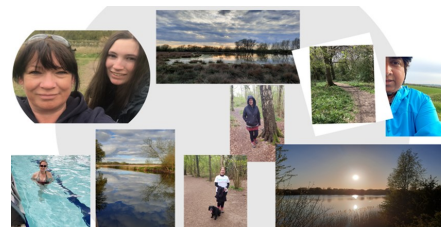
We hope you enjoyed the thank you messages/videos sent during Volunteers' Week. Thank you to those who entered our fun quiz, we're pleased to announce the winners are Malcolm Heaven, Jean Denyer and Di Clay. If you would like the answers but were unable to attend the reveal the answers meeting, just let us know and we can send them onto you.



The Volunteering Team set out to cover 100 miles over the May bank holiday to mark the Legacy left by Captain Tom!

LPT Volunteers were also welcomed to join by walking and cycling and £360 was raised.

We would like to say a huge **THANK YOU** for everyone that helped reach our goal of 100 miles and to everyone who supported by contributing to the Volunteering Fund.



Volunteers' access to StaffNet for latest LPT information

Go to our normal site: <https://staffnet.leicspart.nhs.uk/>
username: Staffnetvolunteers@leicspart.nhs.uk
password:

Commemorative PIN Badges have been issued to all NHS staff and active volunteers as a THANK YOU for working during the Covid-19 pandemic. If you have been volunteering and haven't received your badge, please do let us know and we will send one to you.



Click for: [NHS Staff Discounts](#)

[Hospital Hopper](#) bus free to use for LPT volunteers, just show your ID badge.



If you need to speak to a member of the Team here are our details:
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Please remember to let us know when you don't wish to volunteer with us anymore.

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