

Volunteer Newsletter

Edition 3 - December 2024



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Development

Welcome to the third edition of our volunteer newsletter.

Thank you to all those that attended our Volunteer Open Day on the 9th October which included a presentation from Chris Sadler, Chief Executive, an update on the plans for the Hospice site by the Architects and a tour of the facilities. These sessions were well attended and the feedback received was really positive. So, we will look to put on similar events throughout 2025.

Thank you also to those that attended our Volunteer Thank you Afternoon Tea at the MKM Stadium on the 4th December. The event was also well attended with over 100 volunteers and feedback on the day was very positive. As well as the savoury and sweet treats on offer, we also held a Christmas quiz, a raffle and gave out long service awards to those with 20+ years' service.

We've included some photos from the two events and details of next year's plans overleaf.

Thank you for all you have done and continue to do for Dove House.

With gratitude,

Andrew Walker

Director of People and Development

Discounts Available For Volunteers!

We're pleased to let you know that all volunteers at the hospice are eligible to join:

Charity Worker Discounts

Charity Worker Discounts is a benefit provider website for charity workers and includes discounts and deals from holidays to car insurance, mobile phones to fashion including some exclusive savings from top brands like Clarks, Hot point, Jet2Holidays and Energy helpline!



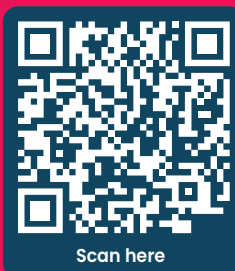
It's free to join, and all you have to do is visit the website, click the 'Join Free' button and select 'Volunteer for a Charity' as the member type on the form. You will need to create an account to access these savings.

Please note the hospice has no direct link with charity worker discounts. Dove House Hospice does not accept any responsibility or liability with regards charity worker discounts.

Volunteers Survey

Thank you to everyone who continues to fill in the surveys, your opinion really does help us shape what volunteering at Dove House looks like for all.

The theme for the new survey is "My team and line manager" and you can fill it in by visiting the website below or scanning the QR code above



Scan here

www.dovehouse.org.uk/volunteer-surveys

The deadline for completing the surveys is 31st December – it's still not too late to fill in the previous surveys if you haven't already.



We'd like to take this opportunity to wish all of the Dove House Hospice volunteers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Our Next Two Events

Night Walk
Hull City Centre
 Step out on the streets of Hull for the return of one of our favorite fundraisers!



29th March

Get Caked
Sledmere House, Driffild
 Tackle 5 miles of muddy fun in the stunning grounds of Sledmere House.



4th May

www.dovehouse.org.uk/events

Volunteer Open Days

It was so positive to see volunteers join us for our first Open Day since before the Covid pandemic. Those who attended saw an update on hospice news as well as hearing from the architects about the future plans for Dove House.



Dates for your diary –
 Next year's Volunteer Open Days will take place on

• 30th April • 6th October



Festive Thank You Afternoon Tea – 4th December

Kindly sponsored by:

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A great time was had by the volunteers who attended the Thank You Afternoon Tea at the MKM Stadium at the start of December. This event is especially important as it's our chance to celebrate and properly thank you for all you do for Dove House throughout the year.

Opposite are some photos of the volunteers who received a certificate and treat to celebrate over 20 years of volunteering! Those who didn't attend will be getting theirs very soon too.



We'd like to say a massive thank you to Sangwin for sponsoring this event



Volunteer Pin Badge Update

In the last Newsletter we announced that all volunteers will be getting pin badges after three months of volunteering and those with long service will be getting special badges. The badges will be distributed in the new year which is a few months later than planned due to some delays with confirming suppliers.



We'd love to hear your views on these events as we know not all volunteers attend. If you didn't come and you'd like to tell us why we'd be interested to hear.

Please scan here or visit www.dovehouse.org.uk/volunteers-surveys and select Volunteer Events



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Did you know?

We have **791** active volunteers who worked a total of **162,240** hours in 2023/24 saving the hospice **£1,856,025!**



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