Will I get a uniform?

As a volunteer you'll be asked to wear your own smart clothes rather than a uniform. You will have an ID badge and for particular duties will be provided with high visibility clothing.

Will I receive training?

You will receive full training to make sure you can effectively carry out your role. We'll also support you in building up an accredited portfolio of achievements, which will be useful as a record of your volunteering, especially if you want to include it on your CV.

Am I eligible to apply?

Age
Neighbourhood Police Volunteers must be at least 16 years old and have completed their compulsory education. There is no upper age limit for volunteers. So if you're able to perform the responsibilities of the role then you're eligible to apply.

Ineligible Occupations
We can't accept applications from people where there is a significant possibility that their role as a volunteer could lead to a conflict of interest in their professional life. Occupations that may be considered incompatible with becoming a volunteer are listed in the full information pack on our website.

To find out more about becoming a Neighbourhood Police Volunteer

Please call us on 03456 043 043 extension 69299, Monday - Friday, 9.00am - 5.00pm or find more information on the Alnwick pages of our website at www.northumbria.police.uk

You can also email us at hr.helpline@northumbria.pnn.police.uk

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Give us a call to find out more about our volunteer information events taking place on Saturday 24th April and Thursday 29th April at Jubilee Hall in Rothbury.

Why are we recruiting Neighbourhood Police Volunteers?

As a Neighbourhood Police Volunteer your wide range of skills and experience will support us in building effective relationships with the community.

The new Rothbury Police Station, on the main front street in Rothbury, opened to the public in May 2009. The station is not currently open to the public unless a police officer is present and available to deal with visitors. Building up a team of volunteers to support the work of other staff will enable the police station to be 'open for business' at peak periods, meaning we're providing a better service to the community.

What are the benefits of volunteering?

As a Neighbourhood Police Volunteer you can:

- use your skills, experience and knowledge to give something back and make a difference in your community
- learn new skills and gain experience
- meet new people and make new friends
- engage and interact with people from different communities and backgrounds
- learn more about possible career opportunities either as a member of police staff or a police officer.

What will I be asked to do?

The main purpose of a Neighbourhood Police Volunteer's role is to provide support to the Rothbury Neighbourhood Policing Team. Key responsibilities centre around keeping the police station operational, community engagement and crime prevention.

Some of the things you might get involved in include:

- opening the station at peak times
- providing an efficient and effective reception service
- dealing with minor enquiries
- providing administrative support to officers and staff
- helping with the community messaging service to get important information out to the public
- attending Community or Parish Council meetings
- providing support to watch schemes
- supporting crime prevention programmes.

How much time do I need to give?

We really appreciate how valuable your time is, so we're very flexible about when you work. Volunteers are asked to donate a minimum of four hours each week. You can work on any day between the hours of 9am – 8pm, and of course if you've more time to spare you can work more than four hours.