

Forest Fans United - Nottingham

The Volunteer Role

We support a man with a learning disability in Mencap's shared house in Chilwell, Nottingham who loves Football.

He's a Nottingham Forest football Fan with a season ticket, (plus a supporter's ticket). He is a dedicated fan and is keen to attend every home match where possible. He takes a real interest in the players and enjoys the football banter. He would love for someone who is interested in Football and even better 'Nottingham Forest Club' to share his experience.

Part of the role would be to support him by public transport to the football ground on match days to enjoy the match and then to return home by taxi.

As a volunteer, you would not need to be a football expert, but if you share his interests then it would make it an enjoyable experience for both.

About the team

We are a busy and caring team supporting several men and ladies in our house in Chilwell, Nottingham for people with learning disabilities.

The people we support are a great group of wonderful, enthusiastic, and fun loving individuals.

When do I need to be available?

Ideally the perfect volunteer would be able to attend **most** home matches within the football season Aug 2018 – May 2019, with approximately an hour each side for travel.

(It would be understandable if some dates were not convenient)

Times will vary according to fixtures – these can be found on Nottingham Forest's club Website. But mostly Saturday afternoons and Tuesday evenings.



What skills do I need?

- Friendly and approachable
- Reliable and patient
- Interested in others
- Accepting of others who might be different to yourself
- Willing to volunteer within guidelines and to take direction where necessary
- Good communication and listening skills

What can I expect from Mencap?

- Training and induction
- To feel fully supported in your role
- Agreed out-of-pocket expenses to be reimbursed (e.g. travel) *
- Meet new people
- Learn new skills
- Feel appreciated and valued

What difference will I make?

1.4 million people in the UK have a learning disability.

Mencap is the leading voice of learning disability. Everything we do is about valuing and supporting people with a learning disability, and their families and carers.

Volunteering with us is YOUR opportunity to help us achieve this, whilst having the chance to develop your skills, meet new people and join a passionate and dedicated team.

What happens next?

Once we have received your application, we will be in touch to see whether this role is a good match for your skills and experience and to discuss the role in more detail.

If you haven't heard from us after 2 weeks please email volunteering@mencap.org.uk

