Side by Side Volunteer
Volunteer role description

**Frequency:** 1+ hours per week  
**Role location:** Hampshire

**Why we need you:**
As a Side by Side volunteer you will enable people living with Dementia to keep doing the things they love, help people to stay connected in their communities and build the confidence of individuals to stay active and engaged in social and recreational activities.

**What you’ll be doing:**
- Participating in activities you share an interest in with a person with dementia to help them to keep doing the things they love – or pick up new ones!
- To give advice to people living with dementia and signpost them to services to enable them to live well
- Assisting and supporting people living with dementia
- Communicating regularly with the coordinator and/or lead volunteers

**This role will suit you if you:**
- Want to support, enable and empower people with dementia
- Are a good verbal communicator with great listening skills, especially face to face
- Are happy volunteering on your own and keeping in touch with your team
- Can provide a committed, flexible approach and who is willing to learn

**What you can expect from us:**
- Training, guidance and support to ensure safeguarding and service standards
- You’ll have a role manager who will support you throughout your journey with us
- Out of pocket expenses (e.g. travel) agreed before you start in line with our policy
- We’ll keep you up to date with relevant policies and procedures that apply to your role
- You’ll have access to our personal development framework for volunteers

**What we need from you:**
To ensure the safety and security of people with dementia we ask for:
- Two references & proof of identity
- A commitment of at least 6 months
- Essential learning & training to be complete before starting in your role will take the form of a mixture of in person training and e-learning.
- You may be asked to complete a DBS or Access NI check, in line with the DBS authority’s guidance. A criminal record will not necessarily stop you being able to carry out this role

**Interested? Find out more!**
If you have any questions about the role or would like to apply, please contact Sue Eden-Browne (Side by Side Coordinator) at sue.eden-browne@alzheimers.org.uk or phone 07801133668