

ACCESSIBILITY AMBASSADORS APPLICATION PACK

1. THE ROLE OF ACCESSIBILITY AMBASSADORS

The role of the accessibility ambassador working with organisations which allow public access should include:

- Identifying issues for improvement

- Discussing the improvements required with the organisation

- Jointly creating an annual action plan with the organisation

- Assisting in funding applications

- Monitoring progress of improvements

- Liaising with Land owners and managers

- Undertake appropriate training

- Quarterly attending the accessibility ambassadors meeting to report on progress, receive additional training and network with other ambassadors.

2. PERSON SPECIFICATION FOR ACCESSIBILITY AMBASSADOR

The accessibility ambassador should either be disabled or a carer. The role will require the ambassador to drive or be driven by their carer as a number of sites are not easily visited by public transport. Unfortunately expenses cannot be paid. It is essential that the accessibility ambassador is a team player.

3. TWO DAY TRAINING COURSE OVERVIEW

- Introducing the role of Accessibility Ambassadors

- Principles of inclusion

- Equality legislation

- Countryside equality scenarios

- Countryside for All standards

- Accessible publications

- Definition of a sensory garden and how to create one

- Benefits of a sensory garden and how they can be used to deliver health, social and learning benefits

- Sensory plants, what makes a good one, how to choose and use

- Ideas for different spaces

Pitfalls and how to avoid them

ACCESSIBILITY AMBASSADORS REQUIRED

IN

LEICESTER, LEICESTERSHIRE AND RUTLAND

Are you disabled or a carer?

Do you want to improve accessibility to parks, green open spaces and the countryside?

Would you like to volunteer for the Leicestershire Centre for Integrated Living, to work with organisations which provide public access to parks, green open spaces and the countryside?

Can you drive or do you have a carer who will drive for you?

If the answer is yes to the questions above you may like to become an accessibility ambassador. The accessibility ambassador works with a team of ambassadors investigating access improvements required, discussing the improvements with organisations and assisting in developing an annual action plan. The role will include travelling to different sites but unfortunately expenses cannot be paid.

Two and a half days training will be provided.

We are currently examining how many volunteers are interested in this role. Once we have established the numbers we will apply for funding to deliver the training. When we have been successful in attracting funding we will contact those of you who are interested in becoming an accessibility ambassador to advise you of training dates etc.

If you are interested in becoming an accessibility ambassador please complete the following:

Name:

Phone number:

Email address:

Please indicate the geographical area you wish to work in. Number 1 being your 1st choice and number 8 being your last choice. If you do not wish to work in a specific area please leave blank:

Leicester City, Oadby and Wigston District Council	
Blaby District Council	
Harborough District Council	
Melton District Council	

Charnwood District Council	
North West Leicestershire District Council	
Hinckley and Bosworth District Council	
Rutland County Council	

Please email the details above to: john.law_32@yahoo.co.uk

Please note we aim to deliver the training either in or close to Leicester.

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IN

LINCOLNSHIRE AND NORTH EAST LINCOLNSHIRE

Are you disabled or a carer?

Do you want to improve accessibility to parks, green open spaces and the countryside?

Would you like to volunteer for the Local Access Forums disability sub group, to work with organisations which provide public access to parks, green open spaces and the countryside?

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City of Lincoln	
West Lindsey District Council	
East Lindsey District Council	
North Kesteven District Council	
South Kesteven District Council	
South Holland District Council	
Boston Borough Council	
North East Lincolnshire County Council	

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Please note, we intend to deliver the training in both the north and south of Lincolnshire. If we do not have enough volunteers to run two training courses, the training course will be delivered in a more central area.