



VOLUNTEERING ROLES

Please read the list below carefully to find a role(s) you would feel most comfortable with.

A. Cattery work

It is a common misconception that volunteering in the Cattery consists solely of playing with the felines; this role is physical, sometimes dirty work and can also be distressing, therefore, is not suited to everyone.

a) Manual Cattery Work

- General animal husbandry.
- Carrying heavy litter sacks and bin bags.
- Brushing and mopping floors.
- Working alone or as part of a team, therefore using your initiative and following instructions is essential.
- Answering the front door and dealing with the general public.

The manual cattery work is mainly carried out in the mornings. Afternoon volunteers are also needed with evening feeds etc., please specify on the form which is more appropriate.

b) Gardening/D.I.Y.

- Usual horticultural work (mainly grass cutting), regularly in the summer months and as and when required in winter.
- General maintenance work in and around the Cattery – qualified tradespeople are always needed.

B. Driving

a) Veterinary Runs

This is a task for people who are extremely confident and feel they can take responsibility.

- Conveying cats from the cattery to the Veterinary Surgery and back safely.
- Understanding instructions and relaying them correctly to both the Cattery Staff and the Vets.
- Collecting prescriptions.

b) Homing of cats

Training will be provided with this role.

- Delivery of cats to new homes.
- Ensuring they settle and the new adopter has any queries answered.
- You must have the ability and confidence to deal with the general public and follow instructions.

c) General Driving Duties

- Transporting volunteers to and from the Cattery (mainly Sundays and Bank Holidays).
- Collecting donations.
- Shopping (cat food etc.).

C. Working at Home

a) Fostering

Full information is provided by the Boote Home and is subject to a home check.

- Providing a cat/kitten with a home on a temporary basis.
- Hand-rearing of orphan kittens, specialised work needed occasionally, you must have relevant experience.
- Visiting potential fosterers to assess whether they would be suitable to foster a cat.
- You supply the litter, food and a safe environment, the Boote Home pays the veterinary bills.

b) Fundraising

- Assisting the sponsorship secretary, organising events, obtaining sponsors for the website etc.
- Selling raffle tickets, normally three times per year.
- Helping at the annual fete.
- Making items that can be sold to benefit the Charity.
- Suggesting fundraising ideas.

c) Administration/Computer Work

- Posting letters, sending out newsletters.
- Database and website maintenance.
- Post-adoption courtesy calls.