



Volunteer Grounds & Walled Garden Role Description

Friends of Bank Hall are responsible for the care, maintenance and development of 14 acres of predominantly mixed woodlands surrounding the Jacobean-style Bank Hall at Bretherton. Though physically taxing, the work of the Grounds & Walled Garden Teams is rewarding and much appreciated by Visitors to Bank Hall.

Main focus of work:

- For the Grounds team digging out and eradicating invasive weeds, brambles, nettles, wild raspberries, sycamore saplings, etc
- Clearing and maintaining pathways, laying woodchips as appropriate
- Strimming and grass cutting
- Collecting fallen wood, apples, leaves etc
- Creating and monitoring bonfires
- For the Walled Garden team clearing borders of brambles and weeds, widening borders, planting appropriate perennials and ongoing weeding & watering as necessary

Desirable Qualities:

- Enjoy working outdoors and being part of a team
- Possess a reasonable level of fitness

Information & Terms:

- Grounds volunteers currently work mid-week and Gardening team work Sundays (weather dependent)
- Volunteers meet at 9.45am and finish usually by 3pm (bringing their lunch and drinks, though we appreciate you may not be able to work the whole day)
- Tools are provided and volunteers are advised to bring their own heavy duty gloves, strong footwear and appropriate clothing
- Volunteers receive an Induction and training as appropriate
- Volunteers are required to observe our Health & Safety and Volunteer policies

Benefits for You:

- Share and develop your skills and knowledge
- Gain experience to add to your profile/bio/CV
- Meet like-minded people and be part of an enthusiastic team
- Free entry to Bank Hall events for yourself
- Receive free drinks if assisting at events
- After 6 months, volunteers who become Members will be able to purchase a Bank Hall polo top and/or fleece

Next Steps: If you wish to offer your time as a Grounds or Garden Volunteer, please email bankhallvolunteering@gmail.com