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How to get involved with your local park or green space projects

Becoming a volunteer not only helps to protect and improve Peterborough's Parks and Open Spaces and the many and varied habitats and associated species they contain, but also provides many personal benefits such as helping to keep fit and maintain an active healthy lifestyle, provides a great opportunity to meet new like-minded people, and can also be a way of gaining valuable experience for those looking to start a career in this sector.

Opportunities range from community gardening, species surveying such as looking for otters, caring for nature reserves, habitat management, plant identification and GPS mapping, to running Wildlife Watch groups which enable young people to discover and explore their local environment. There are also opportunities to make good use of your organisational, IT, administrative or financial skills.

In Peterborough there are several organisations that provide volunteer opportunities including the following:

Help look after our parks and open spaces

Organisation	Contact
Nene Park Trust	neneparktrust.org.uk (External website) (http://www.neneparktrust.org.uk/get-involvedvacancies)
Friends of Central Park	Contact form (https://forms.peterborough.gov.uk/356758?tfa_11)
Friends of Itter Park and Fane Road Allotments Association	Contact form (https://forms.peterborough.gov.uk/356758?tfa_12)
Eye Community Open Space Group	Contact form (https://forms.peterborough.gov.uk/356758?tfa_13)
Victoria Park Residents Association	Contact form (https://forms.peterborough.gov.uk/356758?tfa_14)
Woodfield Park Millennium Trust	Contact form (https://forms.peterborough.gov.uk/356758?tfa_15)
Hampton Community Sports Association	Contact form (https://forms.peterborough.gov.uk/356758?tfa_16)
Botolph Green Residents Association	Contact form (https://forms.peterborough.gov.uk/356758?tfa_17)

Practical conservation activities

Organisation	Contact
Peterborough Conservation Volunteers	p-c-v.co.uk (External website) (http://www.p-c-v.co.uk/)
The Wildlife Trust BCN	wildlifebcn.org (External website) (http://www.wildlifebcn.org/volunteer)
Nene Park Trust	neneparktrust.org.uk (External website) (http://www.neneparktrust.org.uk/get-involvedvacancies)

Froglife	froglife.org (External website) (http://www.froglife.org/what-you-can-do/volunteering/)
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Woodland management

Organisation	Contact
Nene Coppicing Crafts	nenecoppicingandcrafts.co.uk (External website) (http://www.nenecoppicingandcrafts.co.uk/)
Forest for Peterborough	pect.org.uk (External website) (http://www.pect.org.uk/working-with-us/local-communities/forest-for-peterborough)
Long Orton Woodland Walk (Rothwell Way Shelter Belt) - Botolph Green Residents Association	Contact form (https://forms.peterborough.gov.uk/356758?tfa_17)

River/pond management

Organisation	Contact
Rivercare	pect.org.uk (External website) (http://www.pect.org.uk/working-with-us/beyond-peterborough/rivercare)
Froglife	froglife.org (External website) (http://www.froglife.org/what-you-can-do/volunteering/)