

Proposal to the Community Committee for a Mayor's Volunteers Day

This Proposal is for to approve a project to a set up a day where Abingdon organisations looking for volunteers (usually to help them deliver services to the community,) can present their opportunities and requirements.

A pilot is suggested for September this year. Only Council-owned venues will be used (Magistrates' Court and Roysse Room).

Budget will be approximately £500 for publicity and refreshments on the day.

The success of the event will be judged by the number of Organisations taking up a place, and to a lesser degree (as it is a pilot), by the number of potential volunteers attracted.

Subsequently organisations will also be asked whether they were successful in recruiting, whether they would sign up for another event in June '27 (in national volunteering week), and whether they would be prepared to subsidise the event.

It may also be worthwhile to involve the larger companies in Abingdon who look for opportunities for their staff to volunteer in the community.

If the Committee approves the proposal the chair will ask the Chief Clerk for officer time to set up and manage the event , and also ask for a Committee member to lead the project.

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