



Volunteer in Highgate!

125 different opportunities to:

- > Enrich your life!
- > Help your community!
- > Acquire new skills!

Why volunteer?



The reasons people most commonly give are that it gets them out of the home and brings them into contact with people they wouldn't normally meet. It offers them the chance to be active free of the rigidity and pressure of a normal workplace and also to acquire new knowledge and skills.

That having been said, what suits one volunteer is often very different from what suits another.

- > Some relish fresh air and exercise by maintaining flower beds in our parks, conserving the heath or protecting the trees that add character to our streets.
- > Others undertake voluntary work to acquire skills and experience, enabling them to apply with greater confidence for paid jobs.
- > Recent retirees may wish to use their professional expertise to support a community that for many working years they were too busy to help.
- > Many are looking to make new friends whilst being 'useful'.
- > And underlying all of these reasons is the wish to make a difference and help.

How much of a commitment will I have to make?

How often and for how long you wish to volunteer is up to you. We know that 'life happens' and you will have other commitments – holidays, visitors, children fall ill, parents need support. One of the great joys of volunteering is how roles can be adapted to you. Remember, someone else can cover, the job can be done at another time, rotas can be adjusted and colleagues will understand.



What can I offer?

Your time and goodwill is the most important thing. Most of the opportunities simply require people skills – welcoming, selling, stewarding, visiting – activities for which there is no formal qualification.



If you do have specific skills you are willing to share such as building a website, financial experience or marketing knowledge then there are many organisations who will be delighted to have your assistance.

	BROOKFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL	CHANNING	FOODBANK AID	FRIENDS OF WATERLOW PARK	FRIENDS OF HARINGTON	HIGHGATE CEMETERY	HIGHGATE COFFEE & COMPUTERS	HIGHGATE CONSERVATION AREA ADVISORY COMMITTEE	HIGHGATE PRIMARY SCHOOL	HIGHGATE SCHOOL ARCHIVE	HILL HOMES	HLISI *Membership required	HORNSEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY	JACKSONS LANE	KENTISH TOWN CITY FARM	LAUDERDALE HOUSE	OMVED	TCV	THE HIGHGATE SOCIETY *Membership required	UPSTAIRS AT THE GATEHOUSE	XR HIGHGATE
For contact details and more information on organisations see reverse side.																					
OUTDOOR AND MANUAL WORK	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U
CONDUCTING PLANNING SITE VISITS																					
CONDUCTING WILDLIFE SURVEYS																					
CONSERVATION WORK																					
GARDENING																					
LITTER PICKING																					
MAGAZINE DISTRIBUTION																					
MONITORING UPKEEP OF GREEN SPACES																					
PLANTING																					
UPDATING NOTICEBOARD CONTENT																					
USING PROFESSIONAL SKILLS	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U
ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN/PLANNING ADVICE																					
ARCHIVING																					
BOOK-KEEPING/MEMBERSHIP RECORDS																					
COMMUNICATION AND ORGANISATION																					
DIGITAL AND SOCIAL MEDIA COMMUNICATIONS																					
EVENT ORGANISING																					
FUNDRAISING																					
GRAPHIC DESIGN																					
JOURNALISM/PUBLIC RELATIONS																					
LEGAL GUIDANCE/PLANNING																					
SUPPORTING BASIC IT HELP SESSIONS																					
TEACHING CIRCUS SKILLS																					
TEACHING DRAMA AND MUSIC																					
WEBSITE DEVELOPMENT																					
ACQUIRING LIFE SKILLS	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U
CATERING																					
GARDENING AND HORTICULTURE																					
RETAIL: SORTING/PRICING DONATIONS																					
RETAIL: ORGANISING BOOKS FOR SALE																					
WEBSITE: DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE																					
SOCIAL CONTACT	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U
DRIVING																					
GREETING PEOPLE/WELCOME DESK																					
SELLING ICE CREAM IN THEATRE INTERVALS																					
STEWARDEDING/WAITERING																					
USHERING																					
BEING A GOOD NEIGHBOUR	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U
BEFRIENDING ISOLATED OLDER PEOPLE																					
FACE TO FACE BEFRIENDING																					
WORKING WITH YOUNGER PEOPLE	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U
ACCOMPANYING SCHOOL TRIPS																					
ART IN THE PARK																					
CHILDREN'S TRAILS																					
ORGANISING ACTIVITIES																					
ORGANISING MUSIC																					
ORGANISING SPORT																					
SUPPORTING CHILDREN WITH ADDITIONAL NEEDS																					
TEACHING OR SUPPORTING ENGLISH, MATHS, IT																					
BOARD EXPERIENCE	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U
BOARD EXPERIENCE/TEAM LEADERSHIP																					



These volunteers are digging up manure to use on the garden of Kentish Town City Farm.

"I love being outdoors all day! Surrounded by animals, plants, flowers and chatting to new people. Its the highlight of my week" says Alison.



Over a hundred Jacksons Lane volunteers give up part of their Christmas Day to deliver hampers to isolated older people.

"It was quite a magical day all round, restored my faith in humanity, and good vibes all round" says Paul.



Jessica and Don, members of the Highgate Society litter clearing squad, working in the open space at the top of Shepherds Hill.

"The tidy up is a really good thing for getting out of the house on a Saturday morning" says Jessica.

We need more volunteers!

An appeal from
21 Highgate voluntary
organisations



Brookfield is a two-form entry primary school where we inspire the best in everyone through achievement, kindness and responsibility. We are a very welcoming, inclusive and supportive community and are looking for volunteers to enhance our pupils learning.

Address: Chester Rd, N19 5DH
Contact: Laura Smale
Tel: 020 7272 9627
Email: lsmale@brookfield.camden.sch.uk
www.brookfield.camden.sch.uk

Brookfield Primary School

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Channing was founded in 1885 as a school for the daughters of Unitarian Ministers and others. The school's Unitarian ethos is still evident today in our shared values of free thinking, acceptance and inclusivity which are encapsulated in the Channing Promise of kindness and respect.

Address: The Bank, Highgate Hill, N6 5HF
Contact: Jade Francis, Alumnae & Development Office
Tel: 020 8340 2328 (option 5)
Email: jfrancis@channing.co.uk



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Food Bank Aid is a grassroots charity tackling the daily challenge of food poverty in North London. Operating as a central donation and distribution hub, we receive, collect and purchase food, toiletries and household goods and distribute them to food banks where the need is most.

Email: volunteering@foodbankaid.org.uk
or info@foodbankaid.org.uk
www.foodbankaid.org.uk
Find us on Facebook and Instagram



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Each week members of the **Friends of Waterlow Park** meet to work in the gardens of Waterlow Park. Set up to represent users' views to Camden, the Friends fundraise for park improvements, assist Camden's bid for Heritage Lottery funding and organise trips to famous gardens.

Address: Highgate Hill, N6 5HG
Contact: April Cameron, Friends Horticultural Co-ordinator
Email: april.cameron@talktalk.net



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The Friends of Harrington support the Harrington Scheme, which gives young adults with learning difficulties training in horticultural and retail skills as well as basic literacy and numeracy, creating worthwhile opportunities for those for whom little provision is made once they have left school. Friends can contribute just by paying subscriptions, or by helping with our various fundraising events.

Tel: 020 3457 7997 Friends of Harrington Membership, Harrington Scheme Email: rosalindlaurie@talktalk.net or friendsofharrington@gmail.com



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Highgate Cemetery is looking for Visitor Assistants and Gardening volunteers. As a volunteer you can become an important part of our team, learn new skills, meet new people and play a vital role in helping to preserve Highgate Cemetery for the future.

Address: Swain's Lane, N6 6PJ
Email: www.highgatecemetery.org/help/Volunteer

HIGHGATE CEMETERY.

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Coffee & Computers Highgate is a twice monthly drop-in facility for anyone needing help with their electronic devices such as smartphone, tablet or computer. No high-level IT experience needed, just basic experience with smartphone or other devices and a couple of hours to spare occasionally.

Our sessions are held at the Highgate Society (N6 6BS) and Jacksons Lane (N6 5AA).
Email: highgatecoffeeandcomputers@gmail.com



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The purpose of **Highgate Conservation Area Advisory Committee (CAAC)** is to advise the relevant local authority on planning applications and proposed developments which may impact on the Conservation Area either for better or for worse, using the Highgate Character Appraisals (one for Camden another for Haringey) as a guide.

Meetings: three weekly in Highgate Library,
Address: 1 Shepherds Hill, N6 5QJ
Email: highgatecaac@gmail.com

Highgate Conservation Area Advisory Committee

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A cultural hub in the heart of Highgate, **HLSI** offers a library and a range of activities, lectures and classes in the arts and sciences. It is run by volunteer members, assisted by paid staff. Volunteers help in the library, organise activities and assist with legal, financial, general management skills.

Address: 11 South Grove, N6 6BS
Email: president@hlsi.net
www.hlsi.net



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The Hornsey Historical Society was founded in 1971 to promote local history studies and conservation work within the ancient ecclesiastical and civil parish of Hornsey. These aims are achieved by means of publications, lectures, exhibitions, research, visits and walks.

Address: The Old Schoolhouse, 136 Tottenham Lane N8 7EL
Contact: Valerie Walker HHS secretary
Email: hornseyhistoricalsecretary@gmail.com
www.hornseyhistorical.org.uk

HORNSEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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Jacksons Lane offers a year-round programme encompassing the best in contemporary circus performance, creative learning and community involvement. We work to help overcome barriers to the arts and develop projects for those in economically challenged communities, using circus and creativity to reduce isolation and improve wellbeing.

Address: 269a Archway Rd, N6 5AA
Tel: 020 8340 5226
Email: admin@jacksonslane.org.uk
www.jacksonslane.org.uk

JACKSONS LANE

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Kentish Town City Farm has been at the heart of the neighbourhood for 50 years. We provide practical, sustainable opportunities for people living in densely populated urban areas to connect with the natural world, improving mental health, well-being and education.

Address: 1 Cressfield Close, Kentish Town, NW5 4BN
Tel: 020 7916 5421
Contact: Simone Uncle
Email: volunteering@ktcityfarm.org.uk



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Dating back to 1582, **Lauderdale** is a much-loved living centre for heritage, education and creativity. We welcome all – striving to bring together the typically mixed communities around us. Physically and economically accessible we offer classes, performances, free exhibitions and an extensive outreach education programme for young people.

Address: Highgate Hill, Waterlow Park, N6 5HG
Tel: 020 8348 8716
Email: enquiries@lauderdale.org.uk
www.lauderdalehouse.org.uk @lauderdalehouse

Lauderdale House

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Hill Homes gives older people the opportunity to live in a home for life. We promote independent living and an active lifestyle combined with support tailored to each individual's needs. Volunteers help us with things like IT sessions, music, art and lectures.

Address: 2-4 Broadlands Road, N6 4AN
Email: info@hillhomes.co.uk
www.hillhomes.co.uk



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The Highgate School Archive collects and preserves records relating to our School's history, making them available for research to our local and wider communities. It contains material dating from our 1565 foundation, including the Royal Charters of Queen Elizabeth I, to the present day.

Address: North Rd, London N6 4AY
Tel: 020 8347 4421
Email: archives@highgateschool.org.uk

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Highgate Primary is a happy and successful two-form entry community school where there is great enthusiasm for learning from pupils and a highly committed and experienced staff team.

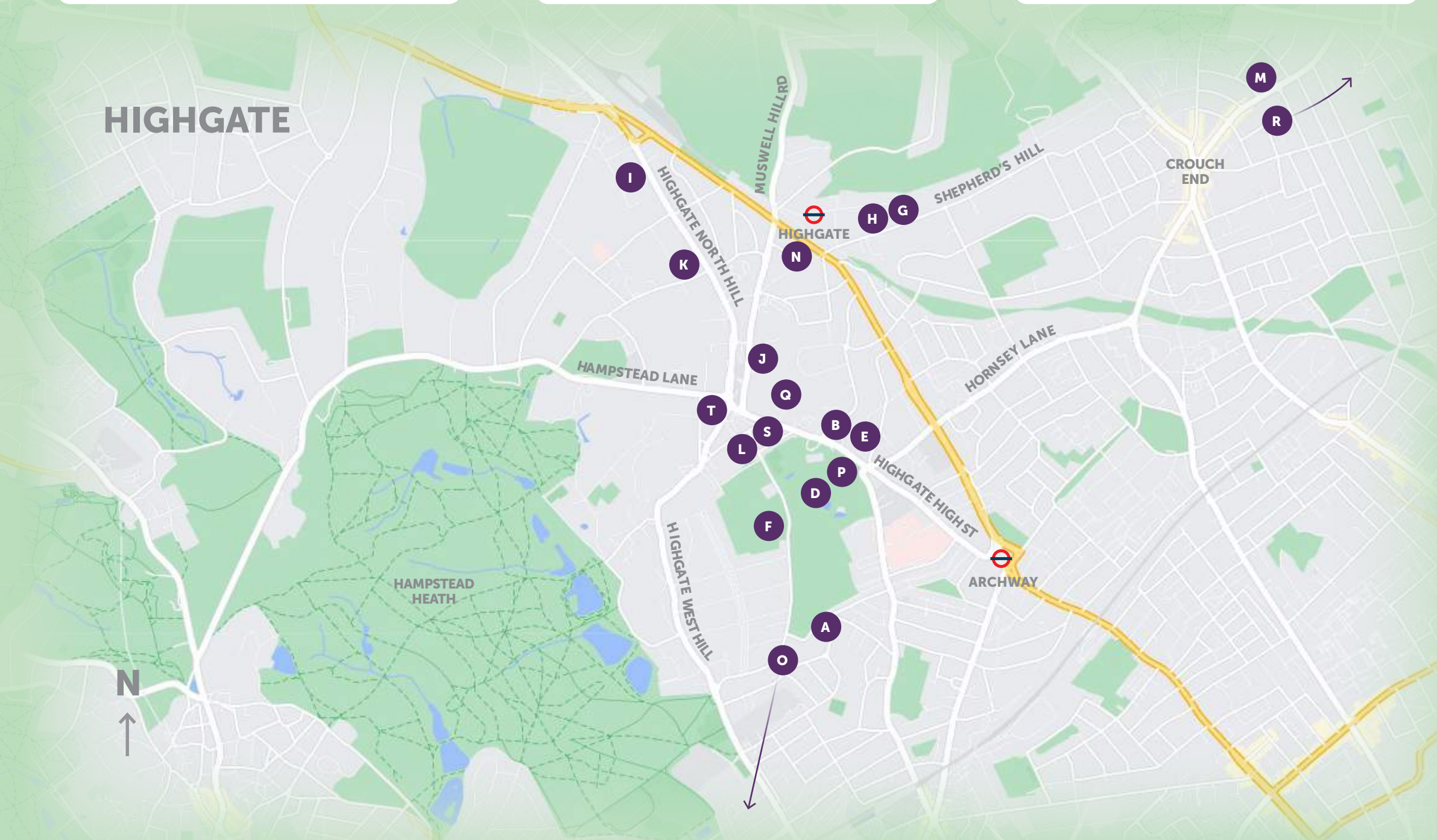
Address: Storey Road, North Hill, N6 4ED
Contact: William Dean Headteacher
Tel: 020 8340 7023
Email: william.dean@highgate-pri.haringey.sch.uk



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Omved Gardens explores the relationship between humans and the natural environment through creating habitats for humans and local flora and fauna. Food is a universal bond that links us all together. Volunteers plant, cultivate and care for our kitchen garden whilst our chef teaches volunteers to pickle and ferment the produce that we have grown.

Address: Townsend Yard, N6 5JF
Contact: Karen Leason
Email: omvedgardens@outlook.com

OmVed GARDENS

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TCV brings people together to create, improve and care for green spaces. From local parks and community gardens to school grounds and Sites of Special Scientific Interest we connect people to the green spaces that form a vital part of any healthy, happy community.

Address: Railway Fields Nature Reserve, 381 Green Lanes, Haringey, N4 1ES
Tel: 020 8348 6005 or 07870 678571
Contact: Helena Taylor Email: helena.taylor@tcv.org.uk
Find us on Facebook, Twitter & Instagram: @TCVHaringey
www.tcv.org.uk/railwayfields/volunteering



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The Highgate Society aims to make Highgate and its neighbourhood a better place to live and work. We welcome volunteers from a wide range of background and interests. To get in touch, please join us for coffee any Saturday between 10.30 and 12.00, contact us by email or use the website Contact Us form.

Email: chair@highgatesociety.com
Address: 10a South Grove, N6 6BS
www.highgatesociety.com



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The **Upstairs at the Gatehouse** theatre welcomes anyone who would like to usher at evening performances. Volunteers watch the show in exchange for checking theatres goes against a list as they make their way into the auditorium, answering questions and selling ice creams during the interval.

Address: 1 North Rd, N6 4BD
Tel: 020 8340 3488
Contact: Annlouise Butt, Theatre Manager
Email: events@ovationproductions.com
www.upstairsatthegatehouse.com/volunteers

UPSTAIRS AT THE GATEHOUSE

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Extinction Rebellion Highgate is part of the international movement reaching out to the community to grow the change needed. Worried about climate and ecological breakdown? History shows us the best way to bring about change is by supporting non-violent activists. Join us.

Tel: 07947 013172 Contact: Jane Leggett
Email: xrhhighgate@protonmail.com to join Highgate WhatsApp
www.facebook.com/XRHaringey
www.instagram.com/xr.haringey



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