

VOLUNTEERING AT GAVIN'S MILL

**Are you interested in joining our enthusiastic team of volunteers?
Here is some general information to give you an idea of what is involved.**

What are the volunteering opportunities at Gavin's Mill?

We have volunteers who work in our shop, café, office, garden and maintenance team. We also organise various ad hoc "special events" when help is required.

Who will I be working with in Gavin's Mill?

The café always has a paid member of staff on duty who is supported by the volunteer staff. Alistair is the café manager and is usually based in the kitchen preparing food and supervising the baking volunteers.

The shop has a regular team of volunteers led by Julie, the shop manager.

The office has a small team who keep on top of the administration.

Can I have a trial visit before I commit?

As an introduction you will work a shift with a current volunteer who will show you the ropes - then you can decide if you would like to commit to joining the team!

Do I need any special qualifications?

Enthusiasm and willingness to meet and work with lots of different people.

How many hours do I have to commit?

Your commitment can be very flexible i.e. choice of set days / morning or afternoon shifts or simply volunteer for ad hoc "special events" etc.

What about taking holidays?

If you are able to commit to a regular shift we completely understand that you will have holiday dates etc to consider. If you can let us know in advance we will find another volunteer to cover your shift.

Are there any social get-togethers or meetings with the other volunteers?

We strive to have regular get togethers so everyone can share ideas and get to know fellow volunteers.

Do I wear a specific uniform?

We all wear a Gavin's Mill green apron and name badge.
There is a general supply of "shared aprons" but you may prefer to purchase your own. Otherwise casual wear with comfortable flat shoes!

Is my volunteering work in Gavin's Mill covered by liability insurance?

We have appropriate public liability insurance to cover volunteers whilst they are working with us.

We have a Gavin's Mill Volunteer Handbook which provides more detailed information re policy, procedures etc

Will I have any specific training?

We have an orientation check list for our new volunteers, but the Gavin's Mill team will be very happy to help you settle in and answer any questions.

There are also training opportunities specific to the area you are working within e.g. "Food Handling / Hygiene"

Please feel free to email us at volunteer@gavinsmill.org if you have any other questions or would be interested in chatting with our volunteer coordinator. Thanks!