



## Join in, feel good

## COMMUNITY CONSERVATION WORKS

The Conservation Volunteers specialise in carrying out conservation projects with volunteers from local communities on private and public owned land.

Their service covers projects ranging from path and access maintenance, scrub clearance, habitat management all the way to stewardship grants, ecological surveying, and external funding applications. All projects are carried out by staff with teams of volunteers who also stand to benefit from the indirect effects of conservation work such as mindfulness, physical exercise and team work and this is another key aspect of our work as a charity.

Anyone interested, or has a possible project, can contact the Bristol Project Officer, Jacob Hill at [jacob.hill@tcv.org.uk](mailto:jacob.hill@tcv.org.uk) or telephone 0117 929 1624,

or write to The Create Centre, B Bond, Smeaton Road, Bristol, BS 1 6XN

Also you can sign up to receive a Landowner Newsletter by typing the following link into your browser <http://eepurl.com/dx8a5H>

For any further information on their service or the charity go to <https://www.tcv.org.uk/>

### EXTRACT FROM



Welcome to the latest Healthwatch North Somerset bi-monthly newsletter. This edition provides you with an overview of the work we've been doing over the last few months, including our special report on community stroke services and our visits to local GP practices.

At Healthwatch North Somerset, we believe everyone who uses health and social care services has the right to expect a high standard. In order to help local organisations achieve these standards, we need your help. Using your feedback, we can ensure *your* voice is heard and taken seriously at a local and national level.

To read more type into your browser the following link:

<https://www.healthwatchnorthsomerset.co.uk/>

## VOLUNTEERING

### Why do we need you?

The more information we gather, the more influence we have over shaping how health and social care develops to meet the needs of the community. Volunteers act as the eyes and ears of local people, raising issues of concern.

### What do our volunteers do?

There are several opportunities available. You can be involved as much as you choose, but we do ask for an initial commitment of 3 months.

Training will be provided and reasonable travel expenses paid. The roles currently being offered are:

- *Community Outreach* – Talk to local people about our services and record feedback
- *Healthwatch Representative* – Represent us on health and social care related boards and meetings hosted by other organisations
- *Enter and View* – Visit, observe and report back on services (group work) (DBS check required)
- *Office Support* – Administrative support

### Who can volunteer?

We welcome applications from local people aged 18+. You will have a willingness to listen and talk to a range of people. A non-judgemental attitude and an understanding of issues of confidentiality are essential. We need people who can confidently represent our role in the community. You will be able to communicate clearly in feeding back any information you gather.

### Why volunteer?

It's a chance to meet new people and become more involved in your community. You will learn new skills and gain experience that could be a stepping stone into employment or training opportunities.

**Fly-tipping, potholes, damaged signposts, footpaths etc** report these and much more to North Somerset Council's Area Officer at Hangstones Pavilion, Stowey Rd, Yatton **first Friday** of every month, 10:30 – 12:00  
No appointment is needed, just turn up.

## **2018 MEETINGS**

2 July – Council

3 September – Council

5 November - Council

Agendas will be on noticeboards 3 days before the meeting.

Agendas, Minutes, Information etc & **Parish Councillor** contact details are on the Kenn PC website