

Advocacy

People sometimes need help to speak up for themselves in official situations. In some cases you may need to speak on the person's behalf. This can be a huge benefit in enabling people to take, or retain, control of their lives.



Fund Raising

As an independent local charity, we need help to raise money to keep our services running. Maybe you have a flair for this?

Administration

Various opportunities arise within all aspects of our work.

If you think you would like to join our team of dedicated volunteers, please ring:

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Company Registration No. 06057797

Charity No. 1118711

Please note: all Age Concern Volunteers are required to have a background check by the police.



Age Concern Isle of Wight is a local charity for local people.

Every branch of Age Concern is independent and any money raised on the Island is spent for the benefit of Island people.

Much of our work is done by volunteers who work in all parts of the Island and in many different ways.

Perhaps you would like to become one of them?

Our volunteers are trained and supported, and receive agreed travel expenses.

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Here are some of the ways you could help:

Befriending

Many older people just want someone to talk to occasionally, especially if they do not have family or friends nearby. You could help maintain their independence by visiting regularly, giving them a call or taking them to coffee mornings.



Home shopping

Older people who are housebound, or who cannot shop unaided, have difficulty in obtaining essential food shopping. You could assist by doing their shopping from a list or escorting them so that they can select their own items.

Active Networks

Older people with similar interests, and living in the same locality, are introduced so that they can befriend each other and socialise.

Volunteers support new groups initially and may provide occasional transport.



Information and Advice



Be fully trained to give confidential answers to the many questions that concern older people - benefits, housing, heating, health care and leisure.

Welfare Benefits

Many older people are not getting all the benefits to which they are entitled. You could be trained to help them complete the forms and claim for those entitlements.



Home Safe Small Repairs

It is important that older people feel secure in their homes and our service gives peace of mind by checking safety within the home, undertaking small repairs and fitting locks or key safes. Volunteers with general DIY skills enable us to support more vulnerable people.

Driving

Several of our projects would benefit from drivers to take older people on an outing or escort them to social events. We also need back up drivers for our home shopping delivery vehicle.

