

Do you want to be part of a new and exciting project supporting carers across the borough?

A carer is someone who, without payment, provides help and support to a relative, friend or neighbour, who could not manage to stay at home without their help due to age, sickness, addiction or disability.

It is estimated that there are in excess of 46,000 carers across Wigan borough providing vital support and care.

Wigan Council is working in partnership with other organisations to develop a new carers centre to enhance, improve and develop services to support carers.

The centre will be funded initially by Wigan Council, but will eventually register as an independent charity.

We are looking to recruit volunteers to form a board of trustees to develop the centre and support the centre manager in taking this new and exciting project forward. Successful applicants will come from different backgrounds and have a range of skills, which should include experience in one or more of the following areas:

- Issues affecting carers
- Human resources
- Information technology
- Fundraising
- Work within the voluntary sector
- Finance
- Quality assurance
- Marketing
- Charity management

Full support and appropriate training will be given to the successful applicants.

These roles are voluntary and unpaid, all reasonable expenses will be reimbursed. Trustees will be expected to attend approximately six meetings per year.

**If you feel that you would like to be part of this project, or would like an informal chat about the responsibilities of a trustee, please phone:
Pauline Gregson on 01942 705969.**