

## **Gardener - local independent charity**

### **Casual hours contract basis- flexible part time working**

**£15 per hour plus 5% pension contribution, mileage and holiday pay. Employee Assistance Program (EAP), Blue Light card and Age UK discount schemes.**

### **Richmond upon Thames**

#### **Join a committed team supporting local older people in their homes**

Age UK Richmond upon Thames is a local independent charity supporting older people across the London Borough of Richmond upon Thames. We provide a wide range of useful and well utilised services designed to improve wellbeing and enhance independence – including information & advice; a wide range of social & wellbeing centres and sessions; support after hospital discharge; digital skills development; Dementia Friendly Richmond and home services such as handy person, housekeeping and gardening. Partnership is a core part of our work – we work in close collaboration with other voluntary sector partners and wider organisations to maximise our impact and reach. Our friendly and committed team of 45 staff and 100+ volunteers support around 4,000 local older people each year.

Our useful gardening service helps our clients all year round with general maintenance, mowing, potting, weeding, trimming .etc.

#### **The Opportunity**

We are looking for skilled and capable individuals with gardening experience and skills to join us on a casual contract basis. Successful candidates will be able to help with a range of tasks that may include:

- General gardening and maintenance
- Planting bulbs
- Mowing the lawn
- Digging
- Potting
- Weeding
- Trimming / pruning
- Putting down compost

#### **Applicants must:**

- Enjoy varied work
- Have experience as a gardener
- Be able to think on their feet and problem solve
- Be a team player with good communication skills

- Be happy to work alone
- Have good organisational skills
- Have good time management skills
- Fluent in English
- Hard working & physically fit
- Have a flexible approach to work
- Good customer service skills
- Full UK driving license with access to a vehicle, and happy to drive between client homes.
- Be reliable, trustworthy and conscientious
- Preferably have access to a set of basic gardening equipment.

This role may suit gardeners with existing businesses looking for extra work, or those looking for part time casual work. We can also consider self-employment if this suits better. This is an excellent opportunity to join a leading local charity and provide a valued service to the local community. If you are interested, please fill out application form on our website and email to [recruitment@ageukrichmond.org.uk](mailto:recruitment@ageukrichmond.org.uk) or phone 02033269432 for more information.