

St Andrews Church of Scotland: Carluke (sc013968)
Dementia Hub (The Hub)

Community Activity Gardener

The Hub provides excellent community-based caring support for people living with dementia and their unpaid carers and family members. Currently, we provide 3 sessions per week Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday.

We are looking to recruit a part-time gardener to support our gardening activities **once** per week. The person should possess knowledge on the creation of annual and seasonal growing, however they must have a passion to support people living with dementia.

HOURS and LOCATION

Part-time minimum 3 hours per week, fixed term, based at St Andrews Church Mount Stewart Street, Carluke.

The hourly rate for this post, which is funded until June 2026, is £13 per hour. (Core hours between 11 am – 4 pm one day per week. A Friday would be preferable, but we can be flexible for the right candidate and it may be possible to allocate some additional hours)

PURPOSE OF POST

To support people affected by memory issues, their carers, and family to participate in gardening-related activities to enable them to enjoy the benefits of outdoor and creative activity.

It is important that our new team member has a willingness to learn how to support people living with Dementia or some lived experience of dementia. The following experience, qualifications, and/or skills set would be advantageous: -

- Knowledge of growing seasons in both an outdoor and indoor setting, including use and maintenance of a polytunnel to deliver activities that recognise the differing levels of skills and knowledge of attendees.
- Ability to engage & communicate effectively with groups of people affected by memory issues.
- Some knowledge of dementia and practical supports which will allow attendees to take part in different gardening activities.

- Ability to work with a minimum amount of supervision and use own initiative.
- Build excellent relationships with those who attend The Hub and ensure collaborative working with the Hub Development Manager, Support Worker, Administrator and volunteers
- Work proactively to develop and maintain good networking relationships with local partners including health and local authority partners.
- Comply with Kirk Session policies and data protection regulations ensuring that information on those accessing activities remains confidential.
- Undertake required training in safeguarding



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