

## Skye and Lochalsh CVO Befrienders Volunteer Application Form

Befrienders Skye and Lochalsh is funded by the Highland Hospice, the National Lottery and the Green Health Partnership. Managed by Skye and Lochalsh Council for Voluntary Organisations, we work with GP's, Social Work, Third Sector Organisations and Families to help people who are experiencing loneliness and social isolation to connect to their communities.

Befrienders Skye and Lochalsh have a number of volunteer befriending roles, including:

- Face to face befriending in a person's place of residence
- Telephone befriending
- Garden befriending, where a volunteer helps a person get back into growing and gardening (note this is not garden maintenance)
- Portree Medical Centre Day Hospital befriending, where volunteers keep people company while they attend the day clinic

All positions require a volunteer to undergo a PVG check and training. We have a dedicated Befriending Co-ordinator who will support volunteers during their time with Skye and Lochalsh Council for Voluntary Organisations.

The information you provide on this form will help us to assess your application to become a volunteer befriender. Your details will be recorded on the Milo database, a national database used by third sector interfaces (TSI) across Scotland and SLCVOs internal volunteer register.

Any personal information you provide (e.g. personal email or home address) will be held and used in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulations and Befrienders Skye and Lochalsh Data Protection and Confidentiality Policies and Procedures. For more information go to <https://www.slcvo.org.uk/about-us> to download a copy of our Privacy Notice or contact [info@slcvo.org.uk](mailto:info@slcvo.org.uk).

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I am Interested in:

Face to Face Befriending	
Telephone Befriending	
Garden Befriending	
Portree Medical Centre Day Hospital Befriending	

Personal Details

Mr/Mrs/Miss/Other:	
Full Name:	
Date of Birth:	
Address:	
Contact Number:	
Email:	

Do you require a permit to work in the UK	Yes	No
Do you have a current full driving licence?	Yes	No
Please note any endorsements you may have		
Are you a member of the Disclosures Scotland PVG Scheme for Protected Adults?	Yes	No
Have you a medical condition that might affect your volunteering?	Yes	No
If yes please provide details		

### Employment Status

Employed Full Time		Retired		Other -please detail
Employed Part Time		Student		

### Volunteer Availability – NOTE this is only for face to face befriending

**Availability** please tick when you would like to volunteer  
 Note: volunteer befriending session will be between 1 and 2 hours

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Morning 9-12							
Afternoon 12-3							
Afternoon 3-6							
Evening 6-8							

### Volunteer Interests

Please detail any interests, skills and experience you have that would help in your volunteer befriending role with Befrienders Skye and Lochalsh

## Character Referees

Please provide contact details for 2 people who can provide a character reference for you. This could be a family friend/neighbour, previous employer, a teacher/tutor or your landlord. References for young volunteers need to be from adults, not peers and one preferably from a Guidance Teacher. References from relatives are not accepted.

Name:		
Address:		
Contact Number:		
Email:		

## Agreement

Skye & Lochalsh CVO holds volunteer information on a database and this is held in accordance with GDPR regulations. Individual details will not be passed to any other organisation without prior consent.

I hereby give permission for my details to be stored in the Skye & Lochalsh CVO database. I also hereby declare that the details in my application, to the best of my knowledge, are true and correct. I know of no health reason, which could prevent me from undertaking the duties of a volunteer.

Signature:

Date:

## How did you find out about Befrienders Skye & Lochalsh

To help us in our promotion and volunteer recruitment please tell us how you found out about this volunteer opportunity.

## Equal Opportunities Monitoring

Skye & Lochalsh CVO is committed to supporting and promoting diversity and equality in all of its volunteering activities. Skye & Lochalsh CVO will support and develop volunteers on an equal basis regardless of race, national or ethnic origin, disability, age, or gender. The information you provide here will be used solely for the purpose of monitoring the effectiveness of the Diversity and Equal Opportunities policy. The information provided here will be treated in the strictest of confidence and be held securely within the Voluntary Services Department and will not be used in the volunteer recruitment process.

<b>Gender Identity</b> – how would you describe your gender?			
Female	Male	Transgender	I prefer not to answer this question

<b>Ethnic Group</b> - for this question please chose one selection from A to E then tick the appropriate box in that section to indicate your ethnic group		
<b>A. White</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Scottish</li> <li>• English</li> <li>• Irish</li> <li>• Welsh</li> <li>• Other white background</li> </ul>	<b>B. Asian or Asian British</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Indian</li> <li>• Pakistani</li> <li>• Bangladeshi</li> <li>• Chinese</li> <li>• Other Asian background</li> </ul>	<b>C. Black or Black British</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Caribbean</li> <li>• African</li> <li>• Other Black background</li> </ul>
<b>D. Other Ethnic Background</b> Please specify	<b>E. Mixed</b> Any mixed background	<b>F. I prefer not to answer this question</b>

<b>Disability</b> – The Disability Discrimination Act 1995 defines disability as “a physical or mental impairment which has a substantial and long term adverse effect on a person’s ability to carry out normal day to day activities”.		
Do you consider yourself to have a disability?		
No	Yes	I prefer not to answer this question

## REHABILITATION OF OFFENDERS ACT 1974

As volunteering with the Skye & Lochalsh Neighbours and Friends may involve working with vulnerable adults, we ask you give details of criminal offences. A prior criminal conviction may not prevent you from working with us, but we will need to assess whether this will affect the volunteering opportunity that we can offer you. All convictions must be declared even if they would be otherwise regarded as 'spent' as exemption under the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 applies

Have you been convicted of any criminal offence at any time?	Yes	No
If yes, please provide more information here:		

Please return this form to:

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