

Gardener – Volunteer Role Description

The REME Museum is looking for gardeners to help with some projects that will benefit the Museum.

The first is our wartime garden. As part of our education programme and Greening the Museum project, we are going to recreate a domestic back garden as it might have appeared during the Second World War. This includes the reconstruction of an Anderson Shelter (used to protect people during Nazi bombing raids), and a small “Dig for Victory” vegetable garden. Visiting school groups will be shown the garden to demonstrate the efforts many families went to during the War in an effort to produce their own food, and reduce the need to import fruit and vegetables from abroad. None of what is grown will go to waste, as our plan is to give it to Crown's Café so they can incorporate it in their menu.

This is clearly a long-term project, and may best suit someone who is able to make frequent trips to the Museum.

The second project is the improvement of the Museum’s window boxes. The Museum has seven of these along the front of the building, and we are looking for someone to enhance these by planting colourful, seasonal flowers in them in order to give our visitors a very good first impression.

Why volunteer with us?

The Museum’s outdoor spaces are certainly improving but could thrive with your help. You would be helping to improve our sustainability, educational programmes and even the visitor experience. You will be able to work outside, sometimes independently but also part of the friendly staff team here at the Museum.

We are able to provide travel expenses of 30p per mile up to a maximum value of £25.

About us

The Museum is open from Tuesday to Sunday inclusively. We will work with you to ensure your time commitment is mutually convenient.

The Museum is committed to equality, diversity and inclusion in our employment and volunteering opportunities, and we welcome applications from all members of the community.

Please do contact us for a preliminary discussion if you are interested; our email address is enquiries@rememuseum.org.uk, or you can telephone us on 01249 894869.

We look forward to hearing from you!