



Your Community Hall Needs You!

Running the Hall is a big team effort. Some of our volunteers do a little bit, from time to time, others spend hours each week. Why? Because it's rewarding, enjoyable, you get to meet local people and we know how to have fun. We always need new volunteers. It doesn't have to be a massive commitment. We know how busy peoples' lives are!

Here are some examples of where we need help at the moment:

Events Organisers and Helpers

The Hall is known for putting on some cracking events. Food Markets, Garden Festivals, Sports Panels. We've done them all. Last year our AWESOME events team raised £10k which helped support running the Hall and towards repairs. This year, some of the events team is taking a well-earned break so we need 4-6 volunteers to step up to organise and help at events. This could be taking on something we've done before which you've enjoyed, or something you think would be a success.

Bar Volunteers

We worked hard to get our own premises license. We run a bar at many of our events, and sometimes for people hiring the Hall too. You won't be changing barrels - more likely be serving a glass of red or a bottled craft beer. There isn't a rota for this we just email the bar team to see if they can help at certain events. How rewarding! Help the Hall raise funds AND sit back and watch the show.

Helping to Fill the Hall

Hirers come and go and we rely on their income. We try to help them be successful by supporting with marketing. We also have our own fundraising events that we love to promote both locally and across Brighton. You might have a talent for Twitter or be a FaceBook fiend. Perhaps you have a passion for designing posters? Or helping with publicity? Keep fit and do something worthwhile by strolling round Prestonville putting up posters and delivering leaflets! An hour or so a week, or just ad hoc help welcome.

'Man/woman Friday'

Our Hall Manager needs someone a couple of hours mostly on a Friday morning to come along to the Hall and give her a hand. Would suit someone happy to have a chat with potential hirers, help with a bit of admin and generally get stuck in.

Keeping the Hall Spick and Span

Great with a broom? Happy to wash up? Either a regular 1 or two hours a week, or at ad hoc events. We ALWAYS need these volunteers.

Piano Tuner

Help! We have a flat F sharp. Can you volunteer your services for the community?

Website Administrator

The Hall website is a Wordpress site and maintenance of it takes a little bit of time and technical expertise every month. Maybe an hour or two a month. Most of it seems to be trying to work out why plugins aren't working as they should, or reshuffling menu items or other tasks. Knowledge of PHP and CSS would be an amazing bonus.

Photographer

Photos say a 1000 words. They help win grants as we can show the great things going on at our Hall. We really need someone who can pop along to our events (for just 10 minutes or so) and take some photos for us. Bonus! You can stay and see the event for free.



Building Maintenance - general and specifically PAINTERS

The Victorian building needs a lot of TLC and there are always jobs for volunteers with basic building skills or fully-fledged trades including plumbing, plastering and decorating. This could involve one-off help with a specific task, an hour or two every week or month for ongoing maintenance, or short bursts of more intense activity when there is a special project underway. Currently, there's a ton of decorating that needs doing. Can you help paint our window frames?

Insurance Wizard

Sometimes we need a little help with our insurance cover. You'll need to become familiar with our insurance policy documents, plus be happy to liaise with our insurance broker from time-to-time. Training will be provided but this may suit someone who has worked in insurance. Again 2 hours per month.

Bookkeeper

Are you a retired bookkeeper who could spare 1 or 2 hours per week? Perhaps you're on a career break but want to keep you hand in? We'd love someone to help with raising invoices (FreeAgent), paying expenses and generally supporting the Hall Manager and our Treasurer with day-to-day finance issues.

Grants Team (no experience required!)

Scour the nation (well, internet) for potential grants and awards, fill in applications and win the big bucks (we've already been awarded over £55k to date). No experience required but this might appeal to people who are happy to do some research and who is not fazed by form-filling.

Kid's Film Club

Can you be part of a small team that takes this on? We'll show you the ropes, from ordering the films, running the projector to filling in our returns at the end. Would suit: enthusiastic types keen to continue this monthly, much loved event. Would take a little bit of initial planning and then handling the events themselves.

You'll find we're a friendly and supportive bunch and any appropriate training will be provided.

For more information please contact Marianne at volunteers@exeterstreethall.org or pop along to our volunteer meeting at 8pm on the 2nd Tuesday monthly @ The Chimney House.

We'd love to hear from you.