

Frequently asked questions for Volunteers



What is the process to volunteer?

You will have an informal chat with Emily our Gig Buddies Project Lead who will talk you through what to expect. Emily will ask about your previous experience (though no previous experience is required). The chat is just to find out what support you may need from us so that we can help you feel prepared.



Do I get any training?

Yes. Training provided which covers what Gig Buddies is and how we operate. We also provide training on awareness of learning disabilities, safeguarding and GDPR.



How often should I volunteer?

We recommend once or twice a month. Gig Buddies run monthly socials where all Gig Buddy members can join together, this can be at a gig or a local event. This can be included as one of your meet-ups or you can do your own thing as a pair.



What about expenses?

We will normally cover your monthly expenses and the Gig Buddies Project Lead will explain this in more detail.



Do I need a DBS check?

All Gig Buddy volunteers will need a DBS. The Gig Buddies Project Lead will work through the DBS process with you.



Do I need to live in Hull?

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Frequently asked questions for Buddies



How long does it take to get a gig buddy?



Finding a gig buddy can sometimes be quick or sometimes take a little while. This depends on your preferences and who is already signed up. It is different for everyone but Emily our Project Lead will be able to give you a rough idea.

Do I have to pay?



Gig Buddies is free to join. Like anyone, if you want to go to a gig you do have to pay the price of the ticket. You only need to pay for yourself not your buddy. There should be offers of a companion ticket. Our Gig Buddies Project Lead Emily will be able to help if you haven't heard of that before.

What are socials?



At Gig Buddies we run a social once a month where gig buddy members are able to come together. These could be at a gig, event or down the local pub. It will be different every month. You can come along to these before you have a gig buddy match.

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