



Caritas Community Representatives

Caritas Portsmouth is the social and environmental action team of the Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth, and we are here to support parishes and schools hear and respond "to the cry of the earth and cry of the poor" (Laudato Si')

Caritas Community Reps are an integral part of the Caritas network of volunteers who are responding to this cry across the Diocese. The role is to support social and/or environmental action within your own parish community and help build connections between your community, Caritas Ambassadors and Caritas to support the formation of thriving missionary communities responding to local needs.

The role involves

- Engaging with active social action / environmental groups and within your parish community.
- Being a point of contact for new and emerging social or environmental actions within the parish community, helping to link with the Caritas Ambassador and Caritas.
- Helping to identify possible social or environmental action events, projects or partnerships within the wider community with Caritas Ambassadors.
- Support Caritas Ambassadors to keep your parish community informed of the latest news, updates volunteer opportunities and resources from Caritas.
- Liaising with Caritas Ambassadors/Caritas for any specific needs of the volunteers e.g. training, resources etc.
- Helping to raise awareness of any Caritas events, campaigns and appeals within your parish community, in partnership with Caritas Ambassadors
- Helping to organize or support fundraising activities.

Personal Attributes

- Be an active member of your parish community.
- Be a friendly, respectful and effective communicator.
- Be committed to building a better world through practical action.
- Be able to uphold Catholic ethos and the principles of Catholic Social Teaching.

We will make sure you have all the support and resources you need for your role, receive the Caritas Community newsletter and we will host Caritas volunteer events so you can meet volunteers in other parishes to share knowledge, experience and ideas.

For more information or to apply please email us at caritas@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk