



Volunteering Opportunity at Longthorpe Tower

Interested in History?

Like meeting new people?

Want to learn something new and share your knowledge?



We have volunteering opportunities available at Longthorpe Tower in Peterborough for both **Guide Leaders and Conservation Housekeepers**.

Longthorpe Tower is the surviving part of a 14th century medieval Manor House. It contains the finest set of medieval wall paintings in a domestic setting in Western Europe. English Heritage cares for the Tower, with the day to day management of visits organised by Nene Park Trust.

Volunteer Guide Leaders lead tours of the Tower at weekends from April to October, bringing the Tower to life for small groups of visitors. We currently have a friendly group of 16 Volunteer Guide Leaders and we are looking for more people to join this role. If you enjoy history this is the role for you. You do not need to have any previous knowledge about Longthorpe Tower, or medieval history; we have resources, cue cards and experienced volunteers to learn from that will support you to become a Guide Leader. Guide Leaders usually volunteer for a morning or afternoon once or twice a month (or more often if they choose to), with two volunteers on duty for each session.

Volunteer Conservation Housekeepers help to protect and clean the Tower, preserving the building and paintings for visitors. This role requires sensitivity to the site as it is a historic site that needs to be carefully maintained. Conservation Housekeepers receive relevant training and volunteer once a month on a weekday for a few hours.

Here are some of the comments made by existing volunteers about their volunteering experience at Longthorpe Tower:

- *I've enjoyed meeting an amazingly varied group of people.*
- *You will learn a lot of history yourself.*
- *I feel I can learn something new every time, either from the other guides or from the visitors.*
- *I enjoy supporting the public to learn more about history.*
- *It's a great opportunity to be in an important historical building.*

If you are interested in applying for these roles, or would just like some more information, please email volunteer@neneparktrust.org.uk or call Clare Stamp (Volunteer Officer at Nene Park Trust) on 07554 745784.

To find out more about the Tower please visit the page on our website <https://www.nenepark.org.uk/longthorpe-tower>