



Community Representative Role Description

Time commitment - around 3 hours per week

As a volunteer Community Representative, you will engage with organisations and community groups to represent the views of LGBT plus people, with the aim of raising awareness of the work of Dumfries and Galloway LGBT Plus, developing a greater understanding of LGBT plus issues and helping make services and communities more inclusive of LGBT plus people.

Ideally, you will be:

- A good listener who service users find easy to approach
- Able to gather and represent the views of LGBT plus people, and not just your own opinions / experiences
- Confident and good at communicating
- Enthusiastic and motivating
- Well versed in the various functions of Dumfries and Galloway LGBT Plus
- A professional face for the Organisation and for LGBT people more generally
- Aware of LGBT plus equality issues, as well as specific issues affecting our various service users

What you will do:

- Through training, research and by engaging with service users, staff and volunteers; keep up to date with the work of Dumfries and Galloway LGBT Plus, as well as with issues affecting LGBT plus people more generally
- Attend meetings, events and forums with relevant organisations as requested by a relevant member of staff, to promote the work of Dumfries and Galloway LGBT Plus and to ensure LGBT plus issues are represented
- Involve and draw on the expertise of key staff, other volunteers or Board members to ensure issues are adequately represented
- Feed in LGBT plus issues to Equality and Diversity Impact Assessments undertaken by local Statutory Agencies
- Feedback relevant information from external forums and events to other service users, staff and volunteers
- Represent Dumfries and Galloway LGBT Plus at local events, to local or national press, or undertake other representation opportunities as offered by staff or Board Members

What you will get out of it:

This is a key role, and for a relatively small investment of your time you'll get to meet all kinds of people, and will have the satisfaction of knowing that you have helped Dumfries and Galloway become more inclusive of LGBT plus people.