

“My community needs me”

**If you are interested in this volunteer role**

**contact:** Kent Community

Warden Service on

**03000 413455**

Or fill-in an online application form at

[kent.gov.uk/  
communitywardens](http://kent.gov.uk/communitywardens)

**Closing date –  
31 March 2017**

**Interviews will take place  
from March onwards.**

#### We need volunteers in these areas

- Boughton
- Monchelsea
- Chart Sutton
- Eynsford
- Farningham
- Fordwich
- Higham
- Hoath
- Horton Kirby and South Darenth
- Hythe
- Kings Hill
- Leeds
- Meopham
- Minster on Sea
- New Ash Green
- Seal
- Singleton & Great Chart
- Snodland
- Southborough
- Swanscombe & Greenhithe
- Vigo
- Walmer
- Westgate-on-Sea
- Wittersham

#### HERE IS WHAT ONE OF OUR VOLUNTEERS DID

#### WORKED WITH THE PARISH COUNCIL TO IMPROVE THE COMMUNITY

**JOANNA WATTS**  
Volunteer Support  
Warden for  
Great Chart and  
Singleton



Joanna quickly identified a problem with dog fouling in her local area which was causing a lot of concern for residents especially parents with young children.

With support from the Parish Council, Joanna used brightly coloured chalk spray to highlight the problem to residents and worked with the Parish Clerk to produce a 'hot spot' map. Special dog fouling bag dispensers were purchased and installed in the worst offending areas to tackle the problem.

The campaign proved to be very successful with positive feedback received from the community and was picked up by the Kent Messenger and Radio Kent.

- 42 incidents reduced to 2 within 5 days
- Eco-friendly chalk spray can - £7.95
- 4 dog fouling bag dispensers - £100 each

Parish Clerk – *“the scheme has been hugely successful and worked very well for the Parish”*

# HELP YOUR COMMUNITY

## AS A VOLUNTEER SUPPORT WARDEN



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## Why Volunteer?

As a Volunteer Support Warden you will make a difference to residents and help to create resilient neighbourhoods. The role will be challenging at times but rewarding and you will be improving the well-being of the residents in your local area. You will meet new people, learn new skills and provide valuable support to local residents.



*"I'm passionate about my community"*



### HERE IS WHAT ONE OF OUR VOLUNTEERS DID

JOANNA WATTS Volunteer Support Warden for Great Chart and Singleton

Joanna found a number of stolen bikes dumped in the area and it was unlikely that they could be traced back to their original owners.

Working with the Kent Community Wardens, Joanna organised a free security day tagging bikes and giving residents advice. Security tagging helps deter and catch criminals and reunite stolen bikes with their rightful owners.

- 90 bikes tagged
- Cost of bike tags £3 each (normal cost £11.50)
- Funding secured for another 100 tagging kits
- New security tagging day arranged

Parish Clerk:

*"She engaged with the local youths by attending the youth club and holding bike marking sessions."*



### What will I be expected to do?

Support Community Wardens by Identifying Issues and feeding back to relevant services including Trading Standards and the Police.

Liaise with organisations including Neighbourhood Watch, Victim Support and the Fire and Rescue Service.

Attend local groups and meetings providing advice on topical issues and provide local residents with crime prevention materials to reduce their fear of crime.



### TRAINING

Training will be provided as well as ongoing mentoring with a Community Warden.

As a volunteer you will not have accredited powers or be expected to handle sensitive information.

## Calling all passionate community driven people for an exciting new volunteer role

### How much time will I be expected to give?

Just 20 hours a month but you can do more if you want.



### Expenses / Car / Internet

Uniform will be provided as will your mileage and travel expenses. We will require a criminal record check (DBS). You will not be required to pay for any of this.

You do not necessarily need a driving licence for the role. However you will need to have access to the Internet to enable you to receive messages.