



Pagan Federation Children and Families Team District Liaison

Volunteer Role Description

Pagan families encounter a wide range of obstacles, which can prevent them from practising their beliefs, attending meetings, moots and events, or engaging fully with Pagan communities. This post exists to increase awareness and work towards overcoming barriers and challenges encountered by Pagan families within our districts.

About the Pagan Federation:

Founded in 1971, the PF seeks to support all Pagans to ensure they have the same rights as followers of other beliefs and religions. It aims to promote a positive profile for Pagans and Paganism and to provide information on Pagan beliefs to the media, official bodies and the greater community.

About the Community Support Team:

The Community Support Team is made up of eight teams, each of which supports a different need in the community: Accessibility, Children and Families, LGBTQIA+, Hospital Ministry, Cultural Diversity, Education, Intrafaith, and Interfaith.

About your role:

Your role is to serve our members and the Pagan community within the district you have become liaison for as well as nationally through our offered services. You will assist the District team in your area with the members they serve in matters relating to children, their families, and the practice of their Pagan faith as well as work within the Children and Families Team to ensure our services are provided nationally. Working closely with both your district and the Children and Families team members, your line managers are the Children and Families Manager and the District Manager for your area. You will also work occasionally with other Community Support teams and their members.

You must be a Pagan Federation member of good standing to apply for this role.

Our Objectives:

The Pagan Federation Children and Families Team works to increase awareness and overcome the challenges encountered by Pagan families across the UK. Through working closely with our own internal volunteer network, relationships with other relevant organisations, events and community initiatives, we identify the barriers faced by Pagan families of all kinds and work to create solutions which allow them to practice their beliefs without prejudice.

Key skills:

- Able to communicate effectively
- IT literate

- Willing to learn
- A solid work ethic
- A listening ear

Key areas of responsibility:

Role specific:

- Familiarity with related policy documents and best practice guidance, including procedural steps, for provision for Pagan families and other interested parties
- To help connect Pagan families with individuals, volunteer groups, organisations and initiatives who could assist them to engage in the Pagan community
- To assist in the process of identifying the barriers Pagan families encounter, raise awareness of the obstacles Pagan families experience, and work towards overcoming those barriers
- To encourage participation of Pagan families in a range of areas of work in which the Pagan Federation is engaged
- To respond in a timely manner to enquiries through the email address attached to the role
- To report to the Pagan Federation Children and Families Manager as well as their District Management team

General:

- Must be self-declared (or otherwise) as Pagan
- Must be a member of the PF, in good standing, and remain a member in order to hold this role
- Will conduct yourself in a professional manner at all times
- Will adhere to the PF Code of Conduct, policies and procedures
- Will take care of yourself and ask for help from the relevant people as and when needed
- Will act appropriately as a Pagan Federation Officer and not bring the organisation into disrepute.
- You will use your PF email for communicating official business and check your inbox at least weekly

Location and travel requirements:

You are based at home but may need to travel locally to deliver support or carry out other activities, for example, visiting family friendly moots. You will also need a laptop or

computer, an internet connection and a phone line. On occasion there may be in person meetings to attend, however we also offer Zoom attendance to all meetings.

Benefits:

This is a volunteer role so doesn't carry a salary, holiday entitlement or a pension. You can claim back reasonable expenses for travel etc upon approval from your line manager. The benefits lie more in personal satisfaction, gaining knowledge and experience and in knowing that you are helping the PF to further their aims and objectives.