

# Group Volunteering Information Sheet Big Pit National Coal Museum

We've been guardians of Wales' heritage, art and natural history collections since 1907, and we believe that museums can change lives. We rely on the support of individuals, businesses, and charitable foundations to help keep the heritage of Wales alive. With the support of groups such as yours, we can complete tasks and maintain the history of Wales for the people of Wales!

Here you'll find useful information on group volunteering with us.

### **Volunteering Activities**

In the past, groups have helped us out with limewashing historic buildings, painting fences, cleaning and repainting machinery, and even help organise archival materials.

If you have a particular type of activity in mind, please let us know. We will do our best to accommodate you, but we can't guarantee that activity will be possible.

Max number of participants at Big Pit is 8 per day.

### **Training and Supervision**

Your group will receive useful and appropriate induction, training, support and Amgueddfa Cymru staff supervision. We will also provide all PPE needed free of charge.

Your organisation will need to nominate a Team Leader who will offer support and a level of supervision of your organisation's group.

Organisations/Charities will need to bring the appropriate ratio of supervisors and/or carers to supervise groups with additional needs.

# Participants Age Group

Participants must be over 18 years old to take part.

# Timetable for the day

Typical timetable:

10.00am	Arrival at Reception.
10.30am	Welcome talk and briefing.
	Volunteer.
1.30pm	Finish/lunch

### Refreshments and Lunch

We have a cafe and canteen which you are more than welcome to use throughout your day with us. Groups receive 20% discount in all of our cafes.

Your group can also bring packed lunches which you can eat outside across the Museum.

# **Optional Extra**

# **Underground Tour**

Go 300 feet underground with a real miner and see what life was like for the thousands of men who worked at the coal face.

Prepare to be lowered 90 metres (300 feet) down the Big Pit mineshaft for our famous underground tour - a captivating journey around a section of original underground workings.

For further information please visit our website https://museum.wales/bigpit/tour/

Please see notes on accessibility and other general advice here <a href="https://museum.wales/bigpit/visit/">https://museum.wales/bigpit/visit/</a>

For more information on an underground tour please contact <a href="mailto:bigpit@museumwales.ac.uk">bigpit@museumwales.ac.uk</a>

Please let them know you've have booked a group volunteering day with us.

If you are interested in group volunteering, please fill in the Enquiry Form and email to Sion <u>volunteering@museumwales.ac.uk</u> or call (029) 2057 3002.