



Volunteer Podcast Host

Role Information Pack

Help4Homeless | Winter 2026

Peterborough is our community. People experiencing homelessness should not be invisible within it.

Who We Are

Help4Homeless is a youth-led, community-focused initiative based in Peterborough. We provide practical support to people experiencing homelessness and hardship, primarily through Winter Wellbeing Packs, outreach, and connecting people to local services.

We are not just distributing items. We are building visibility, dignity, and connection. This winter, we are launching our new podcast to bring honest, human conversations about homelessness, community, and care to the people of Peterborough and beyond.

The Role at a Glance

Role Title	Volunteer Podcast Host
Location	Remote first, with occasional in-person recording in Peterborough
Time Commitment	Approximately 1 to 2 hours per episode, every 2 to 3 weeks initially
Expenses	Reimbursed for agreed travel and related costs
Start Date	November 2026
Reports To	Help4Homeless Leadership Team

We are looking for one or more volunteer hosts to be the regular voice of the podcast. You will not be the founder, you will be the conversation leader. Our founder will join as a guest in the first episode to share his story, and you will guide the discussion.

This is a fantastic opportunity to build real media experience, amplify important local voices, and be part of a growing grassroots organisation. No prior presenting or podcast experience is required. Enthusiasm, empathy, and reliability matter most.

What the Podcast Is, and What It Is Not

What it is

- Honest, respectful conversations about homelessness in Peterborough and the wider area.
- Interviews with our founder, volunteers, local charity workers, service providers, and community members.
- Practical information: where to find help, how to support someone, what services exist.
- Human stories, not sensationalism. Real people sharing their experiences and perspectives.
- A platform that amplifies voices that are too often unheard.

What it is not

- A platform for personal opinions or campaigning outside our mission.
- A crisis or advice service. We signpost to trusted professionals.
- A space to share sensitive or identifiable information without clear consent.
- High-pressure, polished, or corporate. We keep it real.

Your Responsibilities

What you will do

- **Host each episode:** guide the conversation, ask prepared questions, keep the flow natural and welcoming.
- **Prepare briefly:** review a short topic outline and talking points 1 to 2 days before recording.
- **Record:** use your own quiet space and device. A phone or laptop works perfectly.
- **Make guests feel comfortable:** help them relax, listen actively, keep the tone respectful.
- **Contribute ideas:** suggest topics, questions, or angles that matter to you and the community.
- **Represent Help4Homeless well:** speak factually, kindly, and in line with our values.
- **Communicate reliably:** let us know if you cannot make a session, keep us updated on availability.

What you will NOT be expected to do

- Edit audio. Our team handles all production.
- Write every question from scratch. We provide briefs and talking points.
- Be an expert on everything. We learn together.
- Host every episode. We may have multiple hosts to share the load.
- Work set hours. We schedule flexibly around your life.
- Give housing, legal, or medical advice. We signpost to qualified services.

What We Provide You With

- Clear episode briefs and talking points before every recording.
- Simple guidance on recording technique and setup.
- Ongoing support throughout every episode.
- A reference for your future work or studies.
- Being part of a passionate, growing team making a real difference.
- Flexible volunteering that fits around your schedule.

Topics We Will Cover

- The story of Help4Homeless, how it started and why.
- Our Winter 2026 Campaign: 100 packs, 5 pounds per pack, 1,500 pound target, and the real impact.
- What homelessness actually looks like in Peterborough, and the myths people believe.
- Local services: Seven Pillars, Cross Keys, StreetLink, council support, and how to access them.
- What it is like to volunteer and show up for your community.
- Practical advice: how to help someone you see in need.
- The challenges, the wins, and what still needs to change.

Who We Are Looking For

- A clear, friendly speaking voice.
- Genuine interest in community, homelessness, and making a difference.
- Empathy: the ability to listen well and speak respectfully on sensitive topics.
- Reliability: showing up when agreed, communicating if plans change.
- Curiosity: asking the questions that matter.
- No prior experience required. Enthusiasm counts most.

Guidelines and Values

- Treat everyone with dignity and respect, always.
- Never share identifiable details or stories without clear consent.
- Never promise housing or guaranteed outcomes. We signpost to services.
- If a guest raises something concerning, follow our safeguarding procedures. You will not handle it alone.
- Keep language warm, honest, and accessible. No jargon, no corporate speak.
- We are a youth-led organisation. Your voice and perspective matter.

How to Apply

Tell us a little about yourself:

- Why this role interests you.
- What you would bring to the mic.
- Any experience, formal or informal, that matters.
- Your typical availability.

Email: tom@help4homeless.co.uk

Subject line: Podcast Host Application

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