

## Shop manager



Too many older people have no one to turn to for support. We believe no older person should have to struggle alone. We're Age UK, the UK's leading charity for older people. We provide information, support, friendship and advice when it's needed most. Our services are a lifeline – could you help us reach even more people who need us?

### The job, in a nutshell

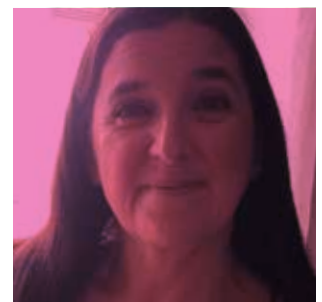
To maximise store sales and profits as well as manage the day to day running of the store and represent Age UK as an efficient and charitable organisation by ensuring that your actions reinforce the Age UK values and beliefs.

Often the only paid member of staff, our managers are comfortable in this environment, really enjoy working with others and are great at delegating to their teams.

### What you'll do for us

#### Sales and Profit

- Monitor and be accountable for sales and profit performance, as well as ensure that the team are aware of and engaged in the shop's financial performance.
- Foster a creative shop environment where team members seek to maximise income in new and innovative ways
- Manage the team to maximise income from Gift Aid on donated products.



"I feel proud of the journey I've been on whilst working for Age UK and I'm extremely grateful for the opportunities that have enabled me to grow and flourish!

It's the people that matter, we're passionate about making every person welcome in the shop, whether they come to donate, volunteer, browse or socialise."

**Karen**  
AREA SALES  
MANAGER

## Our values



Collaborative



Impactful



Ambitious



Inclusive

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- Ensure that all Age UK financial procedures are adhered to and executed in a timely fashion by the shop team.
- Maximise the shop's opening hours and ensure that the shop is open and managed by the shop team in the manager's absence.
- Conduct daily floor walks to ensure that Age UK's standards are achieved and maintained.
- Maintain a high standard of presentation, in the shop window, throughout the shop and in the back room.
- Achieve and main high standards of housekeeping, organisation and cleanliness throughout the shop premises.

## Staff & Volunteers

- Provide training, development, and performance management of staff.
- Recruit, induct and retain an inclusive and diverse volunteer team, at agreed levels, to support the maximising the shop's income and profitability and guarantee the smooth running of the shop.
- Provide training and development for paid staff and volunteers to enable them to perform their jobs efficiently and effectively.
- Organise a rota to ensure the shop runs effectively and the shop floor and sorting room tasks are allocated.
- Adhere to Age UK's policies & procedures when dealing with people issues in the workplace.
- Maintain excellent levels of communication with the shop team by holding regular team meetings and one to ones.
- Maintain an empowered, motivated, and engaged shop team and by ensuring that they understand the value of their contribution to the charity.
- Appropriately and consistently assess the skills and potential of the volunteer team and delegate accordingly.
- Inform the shop team of business communications, promotions and information relating to Age UK.
- Ensure that all staff comply with Age UK policies.

## Location

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Yes

## Division

Age UK Trading CIC



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- Adhere to and enforce Age UK's safeguarding policies and ensuring that the shop team comply with these guidelines.

## Stock

- Be accountable for sourcing sufficient levels of donated stock in collaboration with the shop team.
- Actively promote and achieve the charity's Gift Aid expectations and manage the process to HMRC requirements.
- Ensure there is an adequate flow of stock from stockroom to the shop floor.
- Ensure there is adequate stock available on the shop floor on all key lines.
- The role will demand moving a lot of stock daily.
- Hang sufficient stock in line with agreed targets.
- Select and price stock at a consistent level in accordance with Age UK price guidelines.
- Rotate stock in line with Age UK's agreed time limits.
- Comply with all instructions regarding the sale and stock control of New Goods.

## Administration & Security

- Ensure all relevant administration is completed on time and in accordance with Age UK's Retail Operations Manual.
- Bank daily according to Age UK's policies and procedures.
- Ensure all financial, cash handling and security procedures are adhered to as per Age UK's policies and procedures.
- Hold the shop key, ensuring that the shop is secure whenever it is left unattended.
- Complete all required back-office IT system processes to Age UK standard.

## Other Responsibilities

- Work closely with the Area Sales Manager to ensure any problems in the shop are resolved quickly and effectively.

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- Comply with Health & Safety and operational policies and procedures ensuring that your staff also adhere to the requirements.
- Undertake any other appropriate duties required to achieve performance targets and realise the full potential of the shop.
- Travel within the region where required in the performance of the job, to provide cover in another shop, or for training activities.
- Attend and participate in meetings as and when required.
- Maintain **absolute** confidentiality regarding all charity information.
- Provide a safe environment that protects all staff, volunteers, and the public.

## Must have's:

- Experience in a performance driven retail/customer centric environment.
- Experience of managing people.
- Ability to lift and carry bags of stock up to 10kg's.
- Ability to build, retain and develop a team.
- Strong drive to achieve results through others.
- Ability to delegate, coach and listen.
- Ability to manage time under conflicting priorities.
- Ability to motivate self and others.
- Open and adaptable to change and able to support others through it
- Experience of communicating with a diverse workforce and customer base.
- Ability to establish and maintain successful retail processes and merchandising.
- IT literacy and numeracy skills.
- Able to lone work when needed.

## Great to have's:

- Commercial awareness.
- Ability to understand interpret basic financial reports.

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## Other:

- Ability to demonstrate sensitivity to cultural differences and gender issues, as well as commitment to equal opportunities.
- Flexible approach to work.
- Please note many Age UK shops are split-level; please get in touch if you want to discuss accessibility in the shop you are applying to.

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