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Newbury Needs YOU!

Firefighters at Newbury fire station are looking for keen men and women to join them as retained (part-time) firefighters.

This exciting role will appeal to you if you relish a challenge, thrive on learning new skills and work well in a team. Firefighters need to be active, practically-minded and enjoy working in a variety of roles. You will need to have good interpersonal skills and be an effective communicator because you will be working with all sections of the community.

Retained firefighters should live within five minutes/two miles of the fire station. If you work outside of the home, you will need to have a community-minded employer who will release you for firefighting duties. It is possible to arrange to provide day or night cover to fit in with your other commitments.

As a retained firefighter, you will receive comprehensive ongoing training throughout your career and will be working alongside full-time firefighters.

Matt Frayne, station manager at Newbury, said: "The job is both rewarding and fulfilling, and it's great knowing that you have helped people. Often it is the reassurance and practical help that means as much to them as anything. Our job is not always about blue lights and sirens, it is about putting something back into the community and working with a great bunch of people."

If you would like to find out more about working as a retained firefighter, please come along to our open evening on **Monday 26 November from 7-9pm** at Newbury fire station, Hawthorn Road. Alternatively, you can log on to the website for more information at www.rbfrs.co.uk.

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