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JOIN ASCOT FIREFIGHTERS IN PROTECTING YOUR COMMUNITY

Ascot's Firefighters are looking for enthusiastic men and women to join them as retained (part-time) firefighters. Applications are currently being invited and the closing date for returned applications is the 11th January 2010.

This exciting role will appeal to you if you thrive on a challenge, welcome the chance to learn 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 good interpersonal skills and understand how to communicate effectively as you will be working with all sections of the community.

You will need to live or work within four minutes of the fire station in Station Hill, Ascot, so that you can meet the turn out times for incidents. If you work outside of the home, you will need to have a community-minded employer who will release you for firefighting duties. It can also be possible to arrange to provide day or night cover to fit in with your other commitments.

As a retained firefighter, you will receive a thorough training programme throughout your career and will be working alongside full-time firefighters on a wide variety of incidents.

Ascot firefighter Jason Orme, who also works as a Building Surveyor from home, said: "I find working as a part-time firefighter really satisfying. I have learned so much since I joined, I work with a great bunch of people and the best bit is the reward of knowing that you have made a really positive contribution to someone's day.

"It can certainly be hard work but being able to offer help and reassurance to people, making that bit of difference and finding out that you can achieve more than you probably thought you could – it is such a worthwhile job to do."

If you would like to find out more about working as a retained firefighter, please look at the Royal Berkshire Fire and Rescue Service website at www.rbfrs.co.uk. You are welcome to visit the firefighters at Ascot if you would like to have a look round and find out more – please contact the Station on 01344 620820 on a Monday evening from 7pm or pop in between 6.50-7.30pm on a Monday evening.

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