

Group Chair



Role type:	Governance/management
Main purpose of the role:	<p>To promote the aims of the Ramblers in the Group by ensuring that discussion and decision-making in the Group are conducted in an efficient, friendly and inclusive manner. The Chair's approach to meetings needs to recognise both the voluntary commitment and responsibilities of the office-holders present as well as adhering to the democratic principles and constitution of the Groups committee.</p> <p>By facilitating disciplined meetings and building links with committee members, the Chair keeps the wheels of the committee oiled and moving.</p>
What we need from you:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ A passion for walking and an affinity with all the charitable aims of the Ramblers.▪ An ability to motivate and engage with fellow volunteers on the committee and to encourage discussions in meetings.▪ Well-organised and reliable▪ Knowledge of the Group constitution and a commitment to the Ramblers democratic principles.
What you could be doing:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Discussing the agenda with the Group Secretary and deciding the order of agenda items▪ Getting the meeting started promptly and keeping the discussions 'on track' throughout the meeting.▪ Facilitating a culture of open, respectful discussion where all those who are keen to contribute are given the opportunity to do so.▪ Arranging the casting of votes on agenda items where necessary, and exercising the chair's casting vote if required.▪ Ensuring that the date, time and venue for the next meeting is agreed upon at the close of the meeting.
Resources:	Resources are available on the volunteer section of the Ramblers website www.ramblers.org.uk/volunteer
Contact:	Volunteer Development Team volsupport@ramblers.org.uk / 020 7339 8500

