



## Bedfordshire Volunteer Police Cadets

**Rank/Grade:** Volunteer

**Section/Location:** Bedford / Luton / Biggleswade

**Experience & Qualifications:**

- Be 15 years of age by 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018

**Key Duties & Responsibilities:**

The roles and responsibilities of a Volunteer Police Cadet include:

- Attending weekly training sessions
- Follow a National Framework which covers 5 key areas: presentation, procedures, communication, law and health & safety.
- Support local policing through volunteering
- Assist at community and crime prevention duties

These key duties and responsibilities are intended only as a guide to the main responsibilities of the post and are not intended to restrict the scope of the post holder to perform other duties.

### **About Being a Volunteer Police Cadet**

Bedfordshire Police Cadets is for young people aged 15 to 18. The three year programme starts in September with training being held in Bedford on Tuesday and Thursday evenings Biggleswade on a Thursday evening and Luton on a Tuesday Evening.

Bedfordshire Police Cadets aim to promote a practical understanding of police amongst young people, to support local policing through volunteering and to assist in community and crime prevention events. Being a Cadet is also a great way to inspire young people to participate positively in their communities. Duties the Police Cadets take part in include alcohol test purchasing, crime prevention, supporting other police departments at community events, marshalling and official ceremonies.

Bedfordshire Police Cadets are following a National Framework which covers 5 key areas: presentation, procedures, communication, law and health & safety. Each of these sections has a number of sessions which are all informative, interactive and inclusive. The Cadets also have the opportunity to hear from guest speakers from different departments in the police service and to visit various different departments. The programme helps young people develop their skills, experience a variety of activities, make new friends and improve their self-esteem and confidence. Cadets will also have the opportunity to participate in trips to national places of interest and take part in outdoor activities during term time holidays.

