

What happens now?

Volunteer Recruitment & Selection

All volunteers will be interviewed by the Manager and an experienced mediator, prior to being offered a place on the training programme. A reference will be required. There may be an information meeting before training begins, to which volunteers will be invited. This will explain in more detail what the training involves and the commitment required. The training includes an assessment carried out by the Trainer at the end of the course, as to each trainee's suitability to become a mediator.

Training Dates 2010

All places have been filled for the training course taking place in March 2010 and there are no dates planned for a further training course at present. It is unlikely that one will be held until late 2010 or early 2011. Trainees are expected to attend all 6 sessions of the training (run over two weekends Saturday, Sunday and Monday). The course will cover the mediation process and the skills used by mediators. It will provide sufficient basic training to enable participants to mediate. There will then be an induction process, with each trainee paired with an experienced mentor. Ongoing training will be arranged to cover further mediation skills.

Mediation Hertfordshire is aware that mediation training can be both demanding and time consuming. However, once the training is completed all mediating is arranged by appointment and is extremely flexible. For your convenience the course is designed to provide full and informative training within a compact timeframe.

If mediating is not for you

If you have decided not to become a mediator, why not consider volunteering for Mediation Hertfordshire in some other way, for example as a member of the Management Committee, or becoming a member of Mediation Hertfordshire for £1? Being a member of Mediation Hertfordshire shows your support for the organisation and entitles you to receive our newsletter "Mediation Matters". Members are also permitted one vote at the Annual General Meeting.

Alternatively, to discuss other possible voluntary opportunities you can contact:

St Albans Volunteer Centre on Tel. (01727) 852657

Dacorum Volunteer Centre on Tel. (01442) 247209

Please complete the application form at the back of this pack and return it to the office by e-mail or post.