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ARMLEY HELPING HANDS
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The Impact of QTS Group Volunteering Days

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As part of its commitment to social value, QTS offers every employee three volunteering days per year, encouraging colleagues to dedicate time to causes that matter within their local communities.

These volunteering days have facilitated meaningful, long-term partnerships with community organisations, like Armley Helping Hands.

Since 2022, a group of QTS colleagues have used their volunteering days to support Armley Helping Hands, a registered charity supporting older people and the wider community in Armley, Wortley and the surrounding area.

What began as a one-off volunteering effort has since grown into an established annual initiative, demonstrating the lasting impact that taking volunteering days can create.

Through their time with Armley Helping Hands, QTS volunteers support elderly community members during the festive period, a time that can be especially isolating for many.

Colleagues help serve Christmas dinners, prepare teas and coffees, and most importantly, take the time to listen and talk with those attending, offering warmth, reassurance and companionship.

This ongoing commitment highlights the power of employee-led volunteering. By taking their volunteering days, QTS colleagues help ensure that people do not feel alone at Christmas, while building strong, trusted relationships with organisations delivering vital grassroots support.

> *I would like to express my sincere gratitude to QTS for their incredibly generous support, not only for volunteering their time on the day but also for covering the cost of our Christmas meals.*
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> *"This thoughtful gesture truly embodies the spirit of the season. It will make a significant difference to those attending the event, and the savings we make will allow us to continue providing free meals to older people we have concerns about throughout the forthcoming winter months."*
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> **– Dawn Newsome**
> CEO of Armley Helping Hands

> *Armley Helping Hands is a great example of how our people use their volunteering days to support initiatives that genuinely matter. It's about giving people time, conversation and reassurance during what can be a very difficult period.*
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> *We're proud to see this initiative continue year after year and to be part of something that makes such a positive difference."*
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> **– Lisa McKellar**
> Marketing and Social Value Director, QTS Group

Armley Helping Hands stands as a legacy example of what can be achieved when colleagues are encouraged to use their volunteering days.

Showing how time, care and compassion can have a meaningful and lasting impact within local communities.

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