

How to create and publish a volunteering opportunity

This guide explains how to create and publish a volunteering opportunity in the NHS Volunteering service.

Sign in to the <u>NHS Volunteering service</u> to access your account and follow the instructions in this guide.

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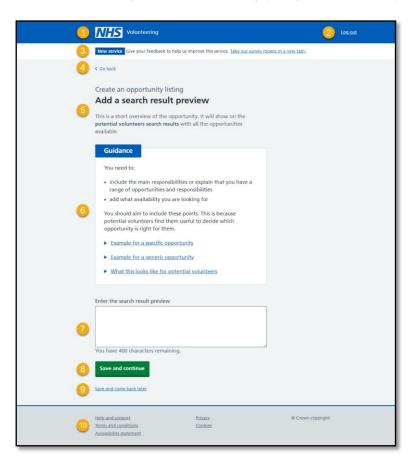
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Using the NHS Volunteering Service

This page provides an overview of how to use the NHS Volunteering service when creating an opportunity.

Important: Not every page will have all the options below.

- 1. Select the 'NHS Volunteering' logo to return to the dashboard.
- 2. Select the 'Log out' link to log out of your NHS Volunteering account.
- 3. Select the 'Take our survey' link to provide feedback on the service.
- 4. Select the 'Go back' link to return to the previous page.
- **5.** A title and explanation of the details required is at the top of each page.
- **6.** Guidance and example text is available using the links in the 'Guidance' section on each page.
- 7. You will add the information to text boxes or select available options on each page.
- **8.** Select the 'Save and continue' button to save your information and continue to the next page.
- **9.** Select the 'Save and come back later' link to save your progress so far and return to the opportunity task list.
- **10.** Use the links at the bottom of the page to access help and support or view our terms and conditions, Accessibility statement, Privacy policy and Cookies policy.



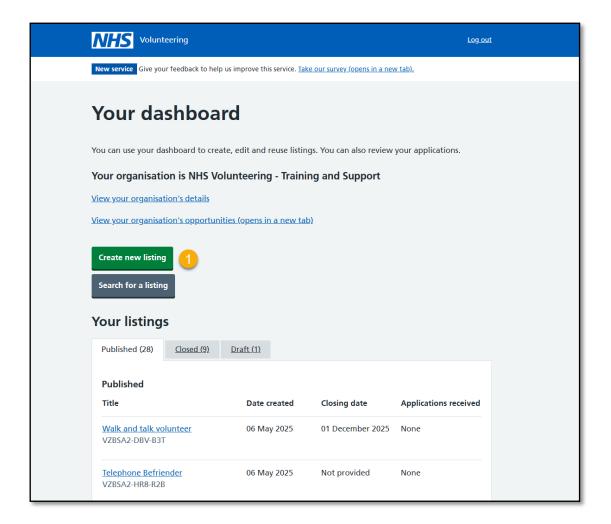
Tip: When using the 'Save and come back later' link you must add the information required on that page.

Start creating an opportunity to advertise and publish

Important: You must be signed into your NHS Volunteering account and on the 'Your Dashboard' page.

To start creating an opportunity to advertise, complete the following step:

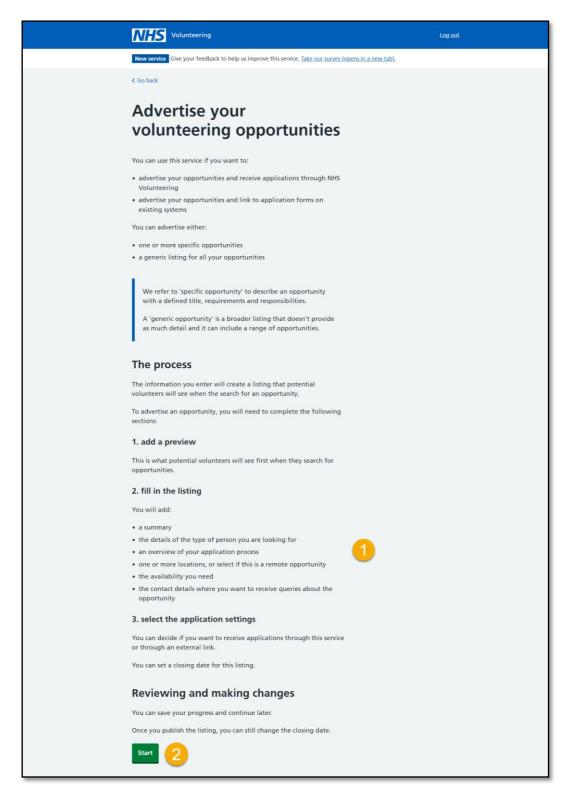
1. Select the 'Advertise an opportunity' button.



Advertise an opportunity information

To confirm you want to start creating an opportunity, complete the following steps:

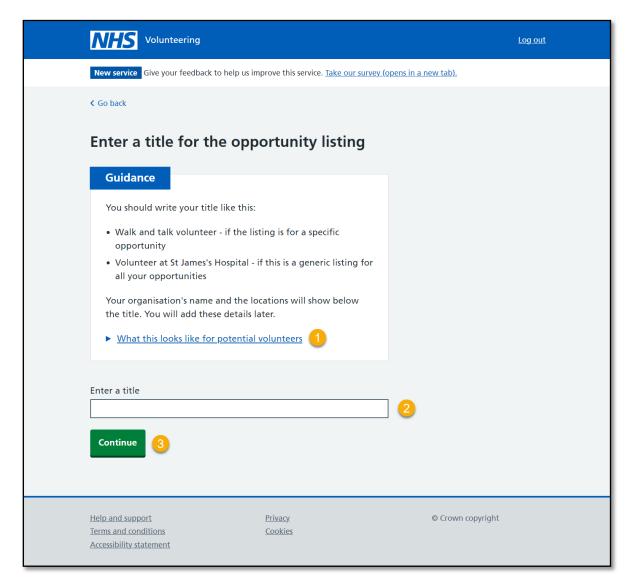
- 1. Read the on-screen information to ensure you have all the information you will need.
- 2. Select the 'Start' button.



Enter a title for the opportunity listing

To add an opportunity title for your listing, complete the following steps:

- 1. Select the guidance link to view how the information will look to volunteers (optional).
- 2. Enter the opportunity title in the Enter a title text box.
- 3. Select the 'Continue' button.



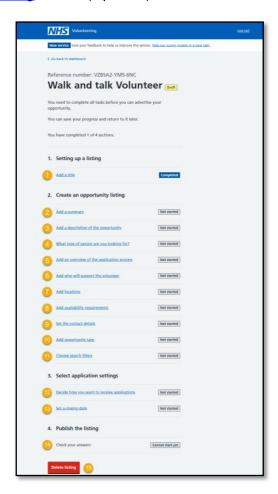
Tip: When you select continue, you'll be taken to the opportunity tasklist.

Opportunity task list

Important: You can amend a 'completed' section by selecting the relevant link.

To complete or amend details, complete the following steps:

- 1. Select the 'Add a title' link.
- 2. Select the 'Add a Summary' link.
- 3. Select the 'Add a description of the opportunity' link.
- 4. Select the 'Specify the person you are looking for' link.
- 5. Select the 'Add an overview of the application process' link.
- 6. Select the 'Add who will support the volunteer' link.
- 7. Select the 'Add locations' link.
- 8. Select the 'Add availability requirements' link.
- 9. Select the 'Set the contact details' link.
- 10. Select the 'Add opportunity tags' link.
- 11. Select the 'Choose search filters' link.
- 12. Select the 'Decide how you want to receive applications' link.
- 13. Select the 'Set a closing date' link.
- 14. Select the 'Check your answers' link.
- **15.** Select the '<u>Delete listing</u>' button (Optional).

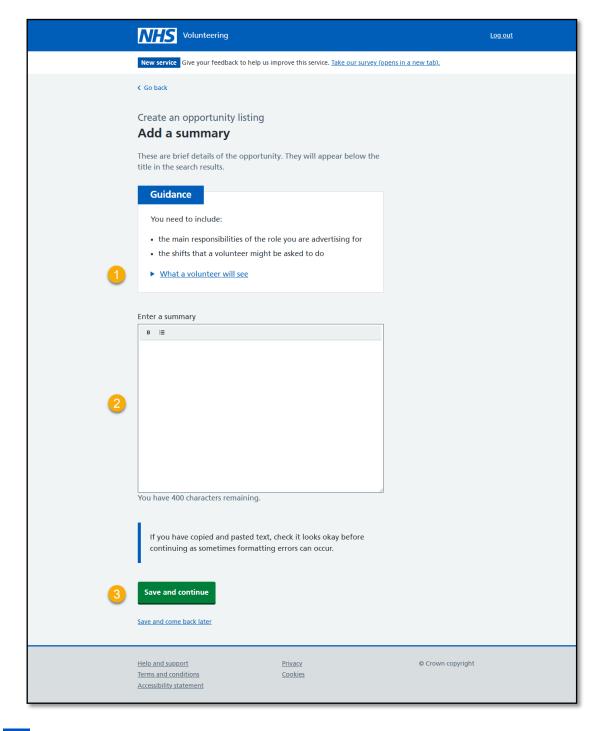


Tip: You can't 'Check your answers' before completing all other sections.

Add a summary

To add a summary, complete the following steps:

- 1. Select the guidance link to view example text (optional).
- 2. Enter the details in the Enter a summary text box.
- 3. Select the 'Save and continue' button.

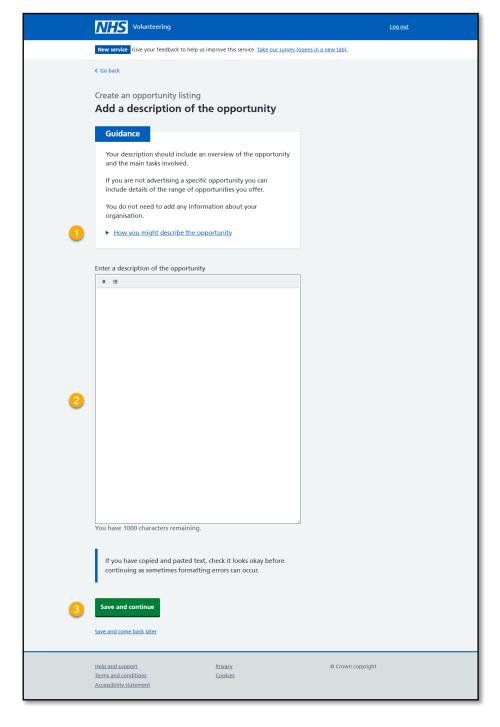


Tip: The search result preview is a brief overview and can be a maximum of 400 characters.

Add a description of the opportunity

To add the description of the opportunity, complete the following steps:

- 1. Select the guidance links to view example text (optional).
- 2. Enter the details in the Enter a description of the opportunity text box.
- 3. Select the 'Save and continue' button.

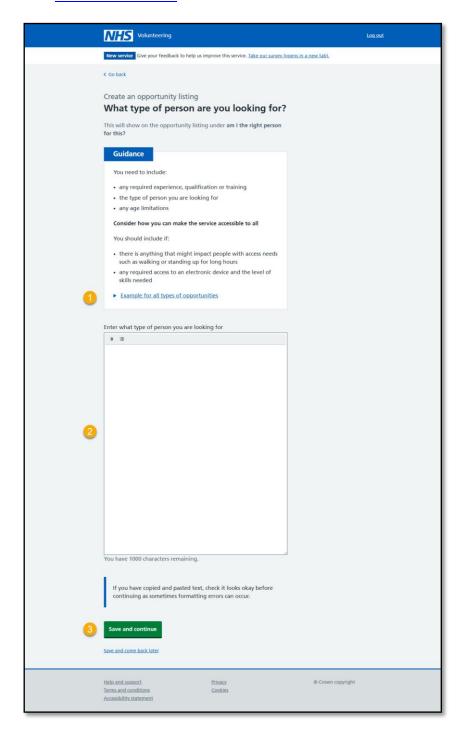


Tip: The summary can be a maximum of 1000 characters.

What type of person you are looking for

To add the details of the type of person you are looking for, complete the following steps:

- 1. Select the guidance links to view example text (optional).
- 2. Enter the details in the Enter what type of person you are looking for text box.
- 3. Select the 'Save and continue' button.

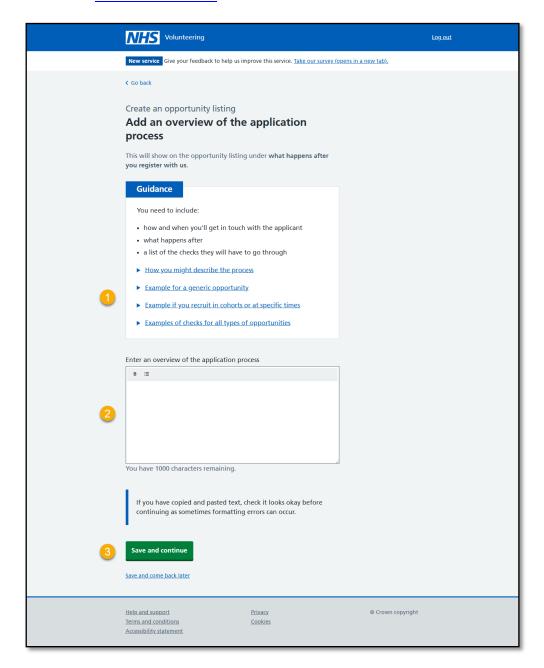


Tip: The type of person you are looking for details can be a maximum of 1000 characters.

Add an overview of the application process

To add an overview of the application process, complete the following steps:

- 1. Select the guidance links to view example text (optional).
- 2. Enter the details in the add the overview of the application process text box.
- 3. Select the 'Save and continue' button.

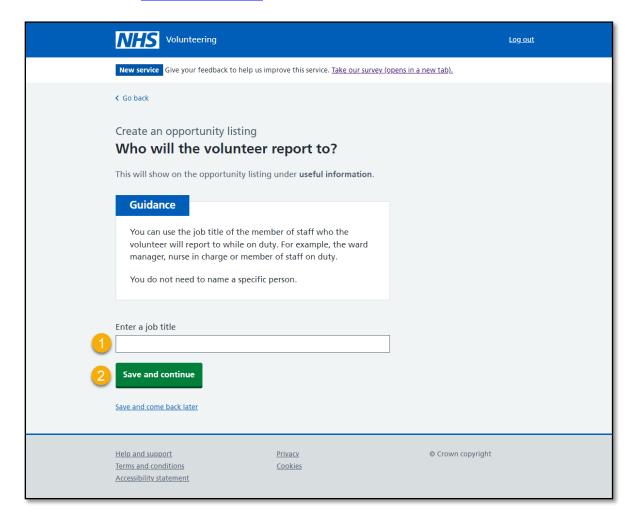


Tip: The overview of your application process details can be a maximum of 1000 characters.

Who will the volunteer report to?

To add the details of who the volunteer will report to, complete the following steps:

- 1. Enter the details in the Enter a job title text box.
- 2. Select the 'Save and continue' button.

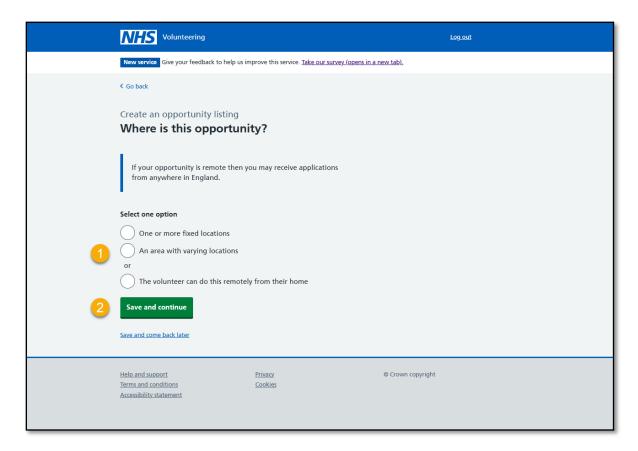


Tip: This can be the name of the person or a job title.

Where is this opportunity?

To confirm if the location of the opportunity, complete the following steps:

- 1. Select an answer:
 - 'One or more fixed locations'
 - 'An area with varying locations'
 - 'The volunteer can do this remotely from their home'
- 2. Select the 'Save and continue' button.



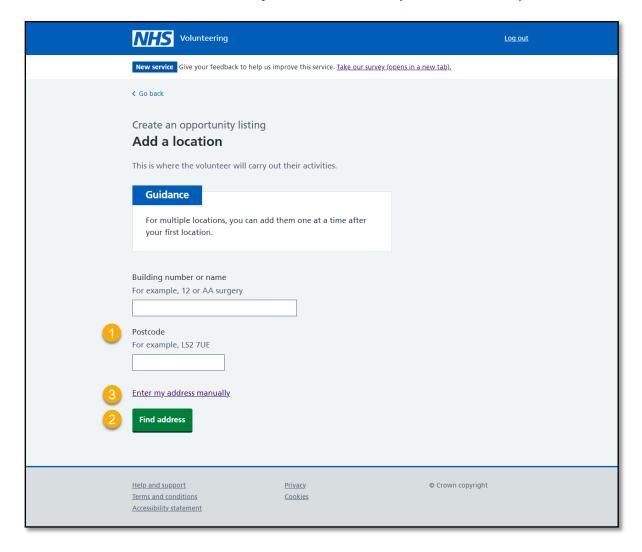
Tip: If you choose that the opportunity is remote, you won't add a location. Remote opportunities will always appear in volunteer search results.

Add a location

Important: You won't add location information if you chose that the opportunity is remote.

To confirm how you want to add the location, complete the following steps:

- 1. To **search for the address**, enter the building number or name and postcode in the text boxes.
- 2. Select the 'Find address' button.
- 3. To add the address manually, select the 'Enter my address manually' link.

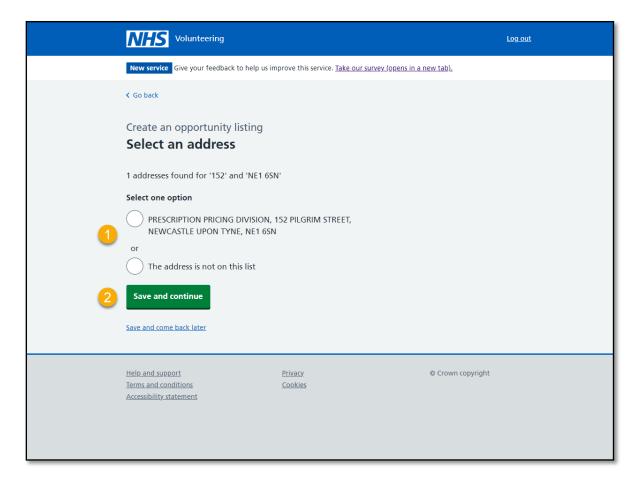


Select an address

Important: You'll only see this page if you've searched for a job location address.

To confirm the job location from the postcode search results, complete the following steps:

- **1.** Select an answer:
 - 'Address returned in list'
 - 'The address is not on this list'.
- 2. Select the 'Save and continue' button.

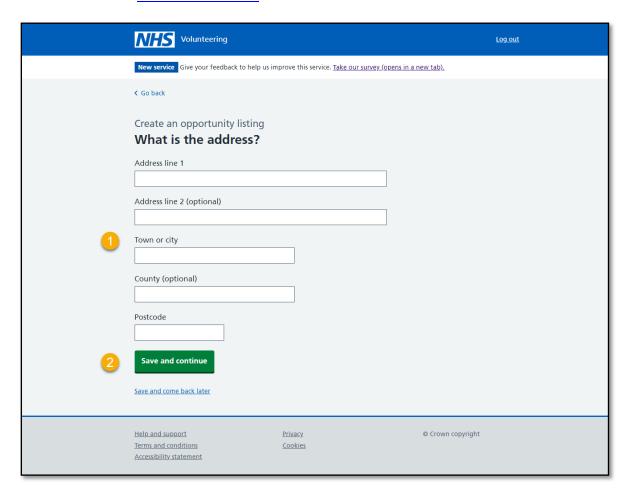


What is the address?

Important: You'll only see this page if you've chosen to manually add the address or selected that the address was not on the list.

To enter the job location manually, complete the following steps:

- 1. Enter the details of the address in the following text boxes:
 - 'Address line 1'
 - 'Address line 2' (optional)
 - 'Town or city'
 - 'County' (optional)
 - 'Postcode'
- 2. Select the 'Save and continue' button.

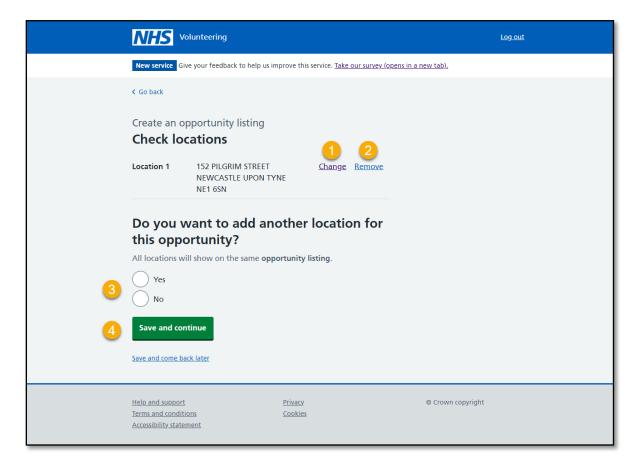


Tip: The address must have a valid post code.

Check locations

To change, remove or add more locations for the opportunity, complete the following steps:

- **1.** To change an opportunity location, select the 'Change' link.
- 2. To remove an opportunity location, select the 'Remove' link.
- 3. Select whether to add another location for the opportunity.
 - 'Yes'
 - 'No'
- 4. Select the 'Save and continue' button.

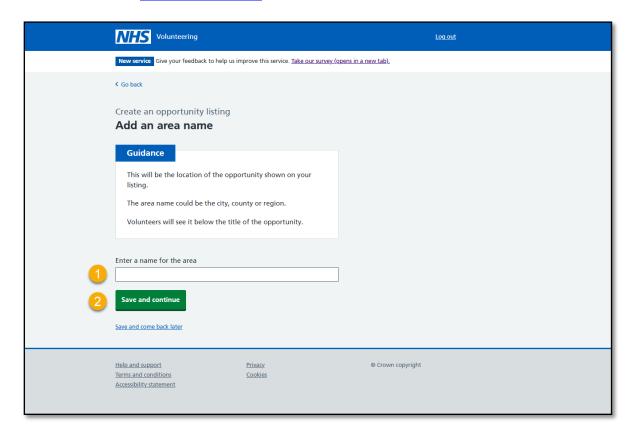


Tip: If all addresses are removed you will be returned to the 'ls this opportunity remote?' page.

Add an area name

Important: You won't add location information if you chose that the opportunity is remote.

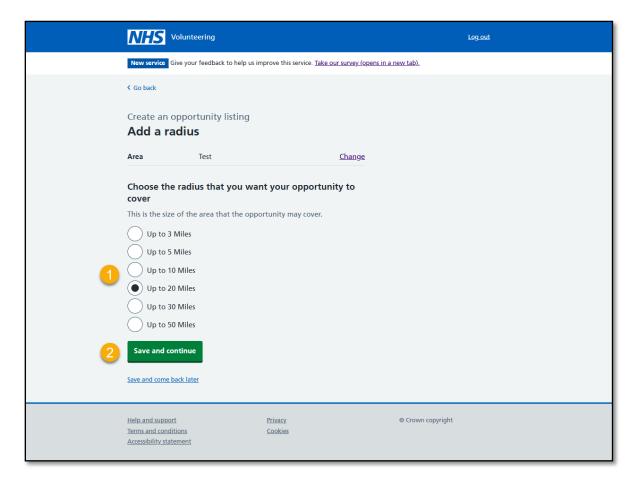
- 1. Enter the details in the Enter a name for the area text box.
- 2. Select the 'Save and continue' button.



Tip: This will be the location of the opportunity shown on your listing.

Add a radius

- 1. Choose the radius of the area your opportunity may cover.
- 2. Select the 'Save and continue' button.

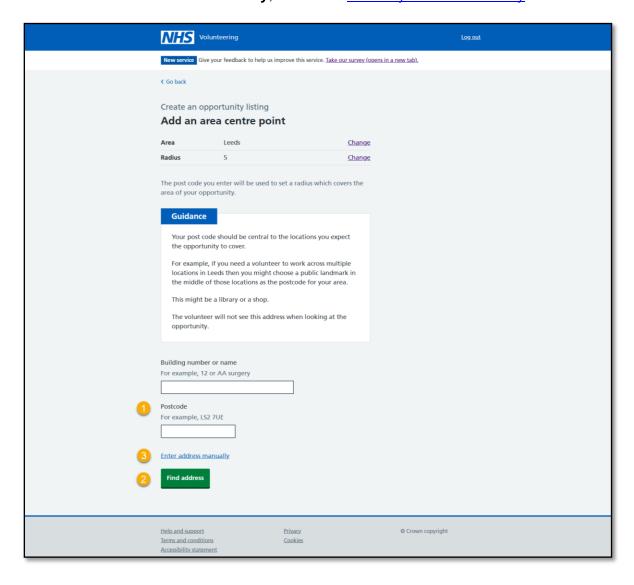


Tip: The radius is the maximum distance from the middle to the edges of the area being covered. Find out more about how this works.

Add an area centre point

To add the centre point of your area, complete the following steps:

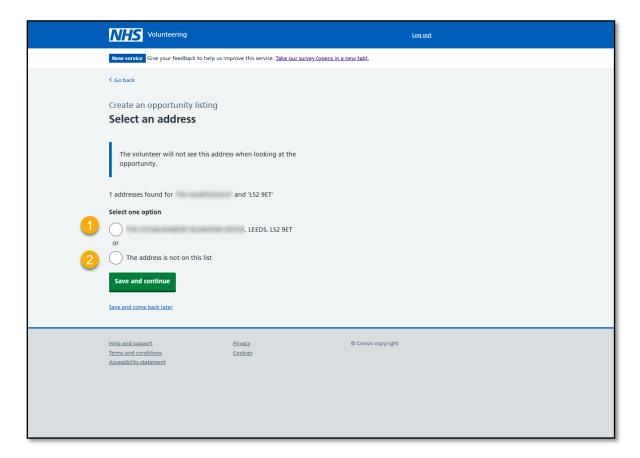
- 1. Enter the building number or name and postcode in the text boxes.
- 2. Select the 'Find address' button.
- 3. To add the address manually, select the 'Enter my address manually' link.



Select an address

To confirm the centre point from the postcode search results, complete the following steps:

- 1. Select an answer:
 - 'Address returned in list'.
 - 'The address is not on this list'.
- 2. Select the 'Save and continue' button.

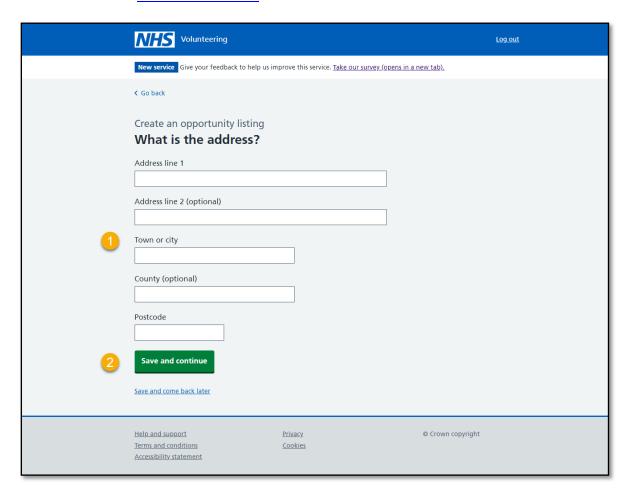


What is the address?

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To enter the job location manually, complete the following steps:

- 1. Enter the details of the address in the following text boxes:
 - 'Address line 1'
 - 'Address line 2' (optional)
 - 'Town or city'
 - 'County' (optional)
 - 'Postcode'
- 2. Select the 'Save and continue' button.

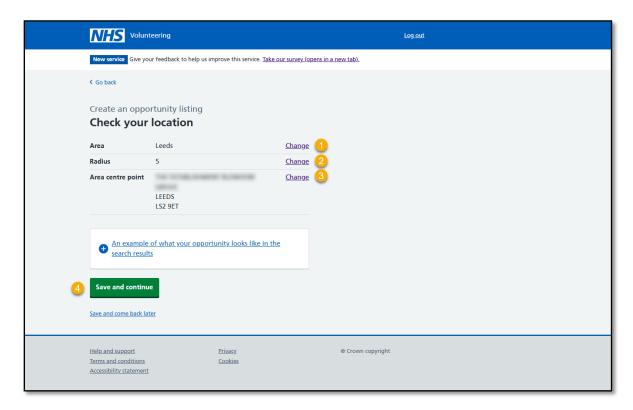


Tip: The address must have a valid post code.

Check your location

To change or confirm your area location details, complete the following steps:

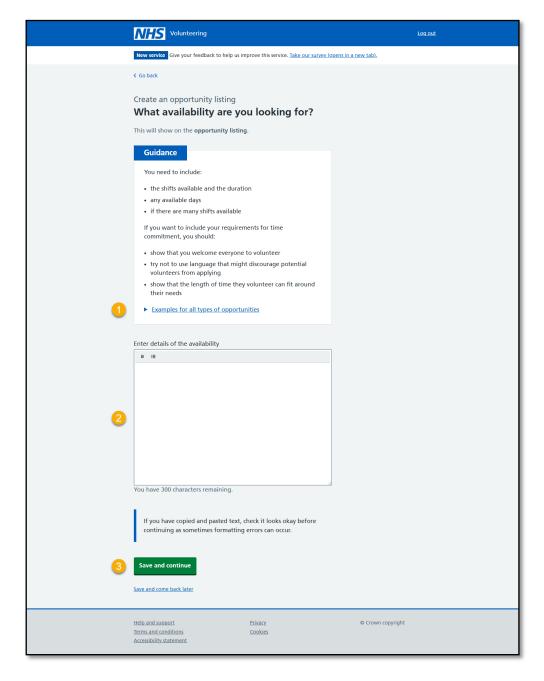
- 1. Select the 'Change' link to amend the area name. (Optional)
- 2. Select the 'Change' link to amend the radius distance. (Optional)
- 3. Select the 'Change' link to amend the centre point of your area. (Optional)
- **4.** Select the 'Save and continue' button to confirm the area location.



What availability are you looking for?

To add the availability requirements, complete the following steps:

- 1. Select the guidance links to view example text (optional).
- 2. Enter the details in the Enter the availability text box.
- 3. Select the 'Save and continue' button.

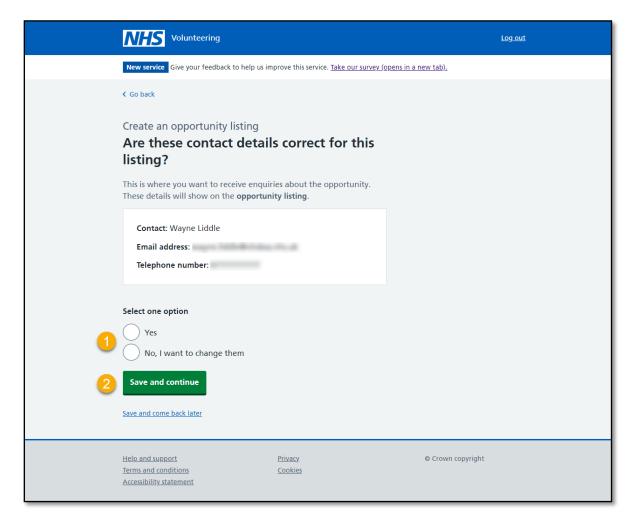


Tip: The availability requirements can be a maximum of 300 characters.

Are these contact details correct for this listing?

To confirm if the contact details are correct, complete the following steps:

- 1. Select an answer:
 - 'Yes'
 - 'No, I want to change them'
- 2. Select the 'Save and continue' button.



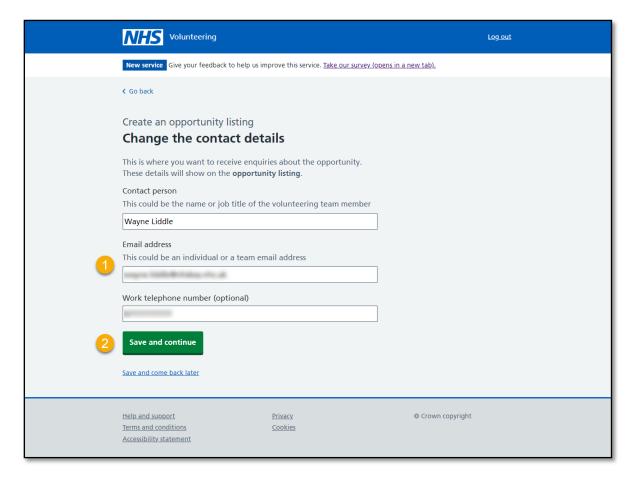
Tip: The contact details will default to the details provided to NHS Volunteering. You can change them for each opportunity.

Change the contact details

Important: You'll only see this page if you selected that you wanted to change the contact details.

To change the contact details that will be shown, complete the following steps:

- 1. Enter the new contact details in the following text boxes:
 - 'Contact person'
 - · 'Email address'
 - 'Work telephone number' (optional)
- 2. Select the 'Save and continue' button.

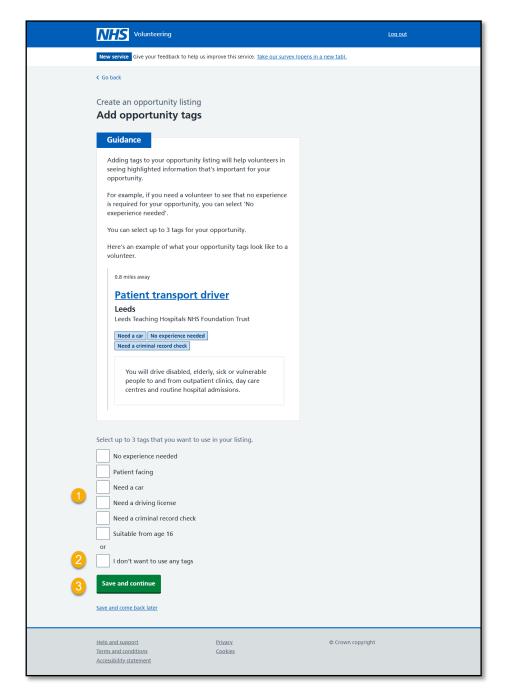


Add opportunity tags

Important: These tags will be displayed along with the summary of your opportunity to help potential volunteers.

To add **up to three** opportunity tags:

- Select the relevant check boxes.
 Or
- 2. Select 'I don't want to use any tags'.
- 3. Select the 'Save and continue' button.



Choose Search filters for your opportunity

Important: Potential volunteers will be able to filter the opportunities they view. Adding search filters will help volunteers find the type of opportunity they are looking for.

To add filters:

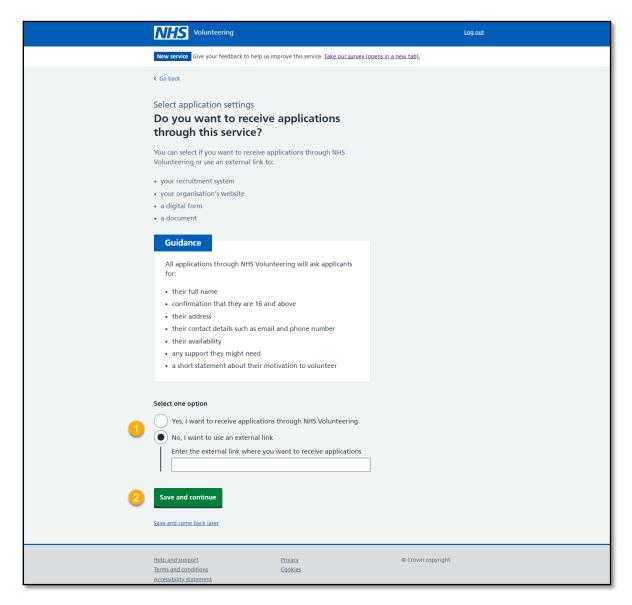
- Select the options that apply to your listing from each section.
 Or
- 2. Select 'Neither / None of these' for each section.
- 3. Select the 'Save and continue' button.



Do you want to receive applications through this service?

To choose how you want volunteers to apply for the opportunity, complete the following steps:

- 1. Select an answer:
 - 'Yes, I want to receive applications through NHS Volunteering' Or
 - 'No, I want to use an external link'
 - And enter the URL in the Enter the external link where you want to receive applications text box
- 2. Select the 'Save and continue' button.



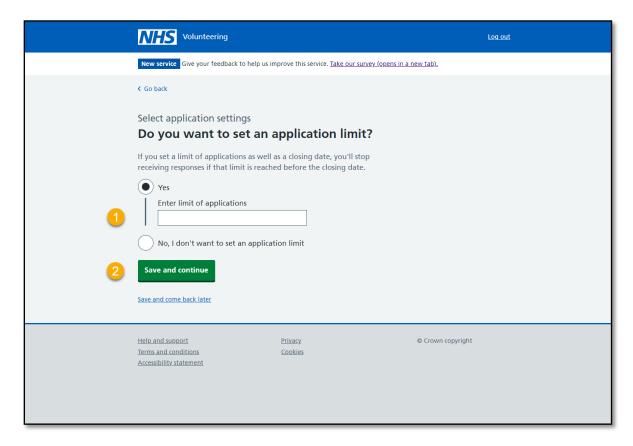
Tip: If you choose to add an external link, volunteers will be redirected when they register their interest in the opportunity. These applications won't appear in the NHS Volunteering service.

Do you want to set an application limit?

Important: You can only set an application limit if you have chosen to have volunteers apply using the NHS Volunteering service.

To confirm if you want to set an application limit, complete the following steps:

- 1. Select an answer:
 - 'Yes'
 - And enter number of applications you want to set the limit at in the Enter limit of applications text box
 - 'No, I don't want to set an application limit'
- 2. Select the 'Save and continue' button.

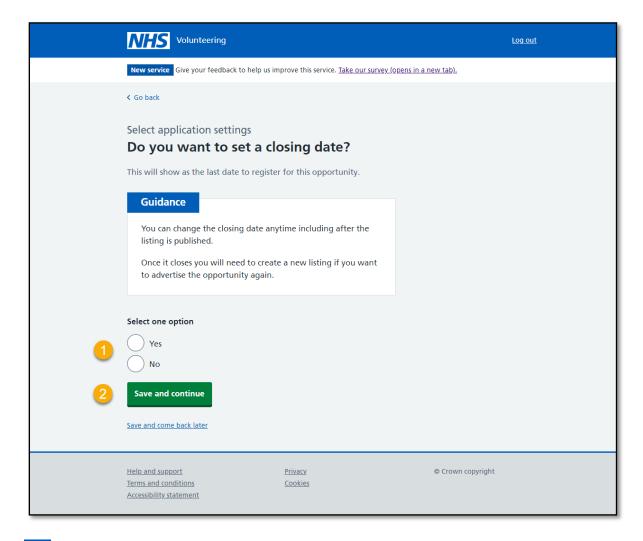


Tip: If you set an application limit, the opportunity will close once this limit is reached. Volunteers who have started an application will still be able to complete this.

Do you want to set a closing date?

To confirm if you want to set a closing date, complete the following steps:

- 1. Select an answer:
 - 'Yes'
 - '<u>No</u>'
- 2. Select the 'Save and continue' button.



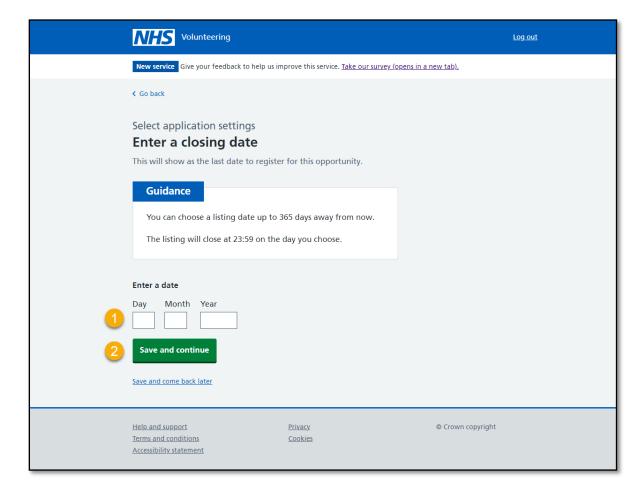
Tip: You can close an advert for an opportunity at any time whether you choose a closing date or not.

Enter a closing date

Important: You'll only see this page if you've chosen to add a closing date.

To confirm the closing date, complete the following steps:

- 1. Enter the details of the closing date in the following text boxes:
 - 'Day'
 - 'Month'
 - 'Year'
- 2. Select the 'Save and continue' button.



Tip: The closing date must be in a DD MM YYYY format, for example, 12 09 2024 and can be up to 365 days from the current date.

Check your answers before publishing your listing

Important: You can't select the 'Check your answers' link from the opportunity tasklist until all sections are completed.

To use the check your answers page, complete the following steps:

- 1. Select the relevant 'Change' link to change the details of that section.
- 2. Select the 'Preview listing' link to view a preview of the advert.
- 3. Select the 'Publish listing' link to publish the opportunity to the NHS Volunteering site.



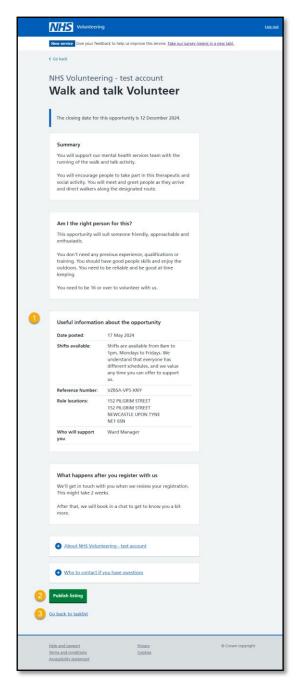
Tip: After changing any details, you will be returned to this page.

Preview listing

Important: You will only see this page if you have chosen to preview the listing.

To use the preview listing page, complete the following steps:

- 1. View the details of the opportunity to make sure they are correct.
- 2. Select the 'Publish listing' button to publish the opportunity.
- 3. Select the 'Go back to tasklist' link to return to the opportunity tasklist.

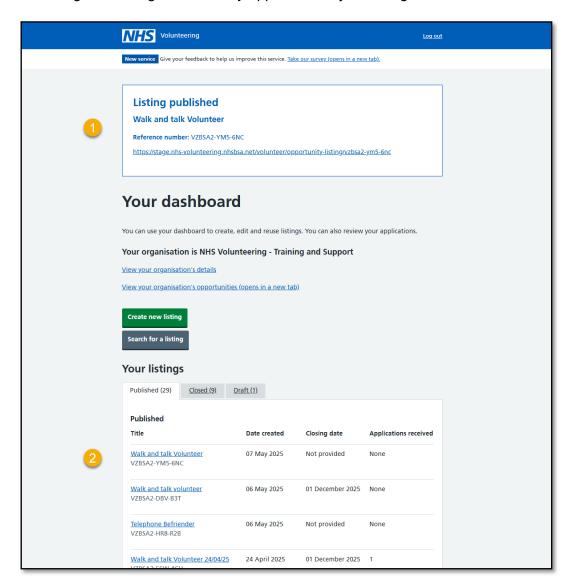


Tip: Select the blue plus icons to view information about your organisation and who to contact.

You're listing is now published

To view the listing on the NHS Volunteering site and manage the listing, complete the following steps:

- 1. View the opportunity listing on the NHS Volunteering website by selecting the 'Opportunity URL' link.
- 2. Manage the listing and view any applications by selecting the 'Job title' link.



You've added the details of the opportunity and reached the end of this user guide.

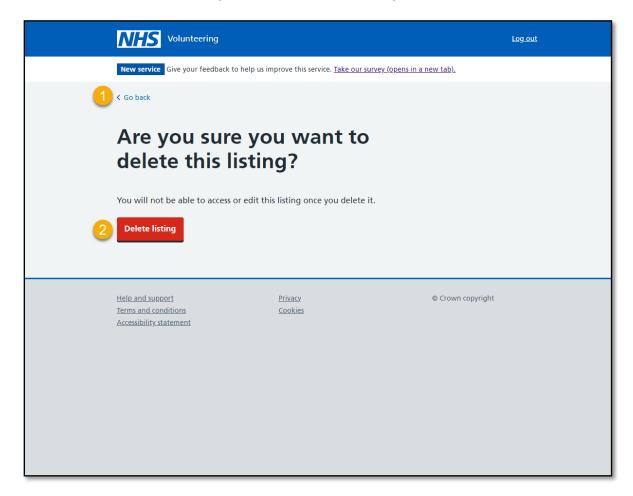
Return to the start of guide.

Are you sure you want to delete this listing

Important: You will only see this page if you have chosen to delete the draft listing.

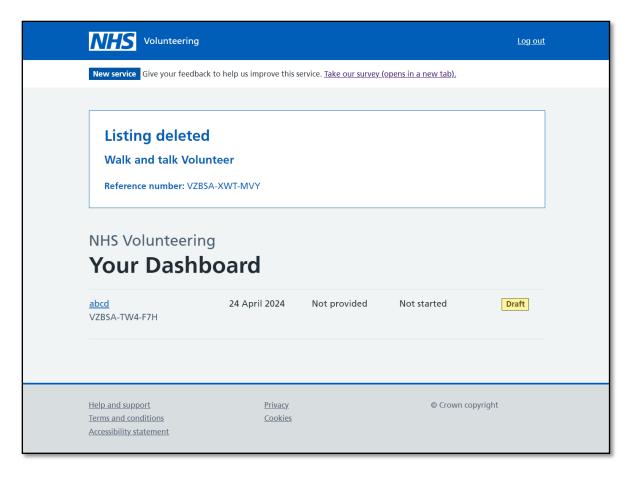
To go back to the task list or delete the draft listing, complete the following steps:

- **1.** Select 'Go back' to return to the tasklist.
- 2. Select the 'Delete listing' button to delete the listing.



Listing deleted

This page shows confirmation that your listing has been deleted and can no longer be accessed or edited.



You've deleted the details of the opportunity and reached the end of this user guide.

Return to the start of guide.

Area radius explained

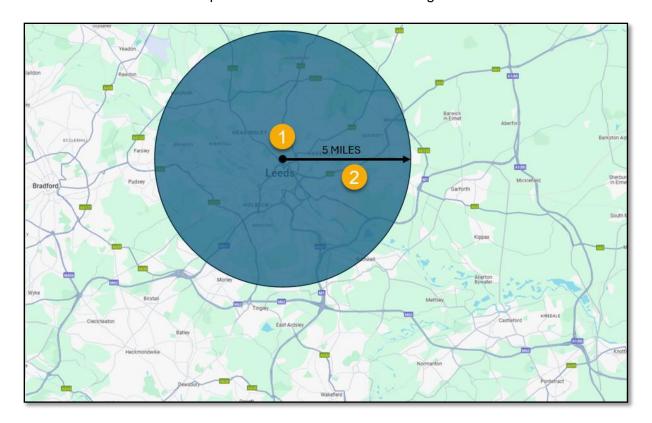
When an opportunity covers an area, you should:

- 1. Select a post code in the middle of the locations that will be covered.
- 2. Add a radius that covers from the middle of the area to the edge of the area.

In the example below, the volunteer may need to travel anywhere in the Leeds area.

The postcode selected is in the middle of Leeds.

The radius is from the centre point to as far as the volunteer might need to tavel.



Return to Add a radius.