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*H*ello, I'm Alice and I give back to my community in two very different ways - by serving as Chair of the Merton branch of the Multiple Sclerosis Society and by rescuing wildlife as a volunteer with London Wildcare Trust.

I'm involved with Merton MS because I benefited from their help when my MS was diagnosed.

I enjoy acting on the belief that we all have more to give than to take, that life still has flavour and colour to be enjoyed, and that we can be proactive in regard to our needs and our rights.

As for the wildlife, bottle-feeding a tiny orphaned hedgehog and seeing it thrive, is a childhood dream come true!

The biggest challenge has been the very steep learning curve - about how the MS Society works, how the benefits system is changing, current medical research and other information so vital to our members and their carers. As a wildlife volunteer, it's hard emotionally when we can't save a wild victim of human cruelty.

I believe that all communities gain when their residents are empowered to become more active, self-reliant and respectful of people (and animals!) different to themselves.

I Volunteer - Why Wouldn't You?