

Devon County Council are recruiting for a School Crossing Patrol to work outside Stoke Hill Junior School and also on Stoke Hill roundabout.

There have not been any applicants or interest for this vacancy or our other vacant positions in Exeter.

- All of our School Crossing Patrol vacancies are advertised via Devon Jobs
https://ce0295li.webitrent.com/ce0295li_webrecruitment/wrd/run/ETREC107GF.open?VACANCY_ID%3d350205CuPt&WVID=612290007I&LANG=USA
- More information about working as a Patrol is here
<https://www.devon.gov.uk/roadsandtransport/safe-travel/road-safety/schools/school-crossing-patrols/>
- Unfortunately, recruitment of Patrols is a challenge not only in Exeter and Devon but across the Southwest and further afield too. Whilst we have the funding and systems in place to get suitable candidates through the process as efficiently and effectively as possible, without any applicants nothing than progress
- Therefore, we ask and encourage the school and wider school community to advertise this position too as normally Patrols have some connection with the school community. Potential Patrols often already work in the school or have a child or grandchild at the school. There is a range of free recruitment resources
<https://www.devon.gov.uk/roadsandtransport/safe-travel/road-safety/schools/school-crossing-patrols/scp-information-for-schools/> that can be used including banners, posters, fliers, recruitment film and letters.
- Some people may not wish to work as a permanent Patrol but may be willing to volunteer to help so there is the Volunteer School Crossing Marshal option.
<https://www.devon.gov.uk/roadsandtransport/safe-travel/road-safety/schools/volunteer-school-crossing-marshal/> A Volunteer School Crossing Marshal is a voluntary helper recruited, 'employed' and managed by the school. They are trained by Road Safety Officers to support children crossing the road. We recommend that schools that have a Patrol also recruit a Volunteer School Crossing Marshal as they can be used as a back-up when the Patrol is absent.
- Lastly, and not least, there is a possibility of a formal crossing point such as a zebra crossing. Expectations need to be managed as there are many factors to be considered – the key ones being whether the location meets the criteria for a formal crossing and funding. There are more requests for crossings than funding available and the whole process can take a long time. Other factors are:
 - Collision and casualty data
 - Speed of vehicles
 - Visibility
 - Impact on local community-e.g., possible loss of on road parking spaces
 - Road infrastructure and layout.

Approval and funding has to be agreed by the Highways and Traffic Orders Committee (HATOC). They are responsible for the way in which the Council delivers its responsibilities as the Highway Authority.