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Hello. My name is Nicola and my partner Andrew and I produce a local online magazine called Your Town Wimbledon ([www.yourtownwimbledon.com](http://www.yourtownwimbledon.com)).

This site grew from my Journalism M.A. (from Kingston University) dissertation and I have continued to run it ever since.

Andrew works in IT and improved the technical elements of the original project, to produce a high quality website.

### What do I enjoy about giving my time?

I believe in good local journalism and continue to run Your Town Wimbledon on a voluntary basis as a means of linking members of the community, keeping people up to date on local news and promoting local business and events. We also use Twitter as a tool to increase our visibility (<https://twitter.com/yourtownw>).

What I enjoy most about working on Your Town Wimbledon is meeting local people. I am essentially a nosey parker so it suits me down to the ground. I believe Your Town Wimbledon benefits the community by providing an interactive space for people to share news, views and opinions.

Our volunteering contributes to Merton because our news is about the community and from the community which creates connectedness for our residents.

**SHOUT ABOUT YOUR VOLUNTEERING** by telling your friends in person  
and online what you do to make Merton a better place.