Get involved!

Are you or do you know a young person facing significant barriers to gaining on-road driving experience?

Are you wanting to give back to the community in a meaningful way by volunteering a small amount of time each week?

Then YOU could fit our criteria to become a participant or mentor in this exciting and innovative program!

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What is the L2P program?

The Manningham Whitehorse L2P learner driver mentor program is a community based, volunteer program. L2P was developed to provide access to driving practice for learner drivers who face significant barriers to gaining their mandatory 120 hours of driving practice required to obtain a probationary licence.

Why is L2P being introduced?

The Graduated Licensing System (which came into effect in 2007) requires that all learner drivers aged under 21 years achieve a minimum of 120 hours supervised driving experience. For most young learner drivers this will be achievable through professional driving instructor lessons and practice with parents, extended family or close friends.

However, there are a number of young people who will have considerable difficulty in gaining access to this experience, due to non availability of a vehicle or supervising driver (or both) on an ongoing basis.

How L2P works:

Learner drivers are matched with fully licensed community volunteers. Using a sponsored vehicle, the learner and their mentor go out driving, working towards 120 hours of driving practice. L2P also incorporates up to five free professional driving lessons by a registered driving instructor. This is to ensure the young people participating have some driving skills before being matched with a volunteer mentor.

The volunteer mentors:

Mentors are volunteers from the community who undertake a selection and training process to fulfil the role as a supervising driver. Mentors develop and maintain a purposeful, empowering, supportive and ongoing relationship with the young person they are matched with by meeting with the learner driver for at least one hour per week. Mentoring provides opportunities to meet new people, develop new skills and add variety to the mentors life.

The learner drivers:

L2P is for young people aged 16-21 with a current learners permit but without access to a vehicle or supervising driver to achieve 120 hours of supervised driving experience. Young people can be referred to the program by youth agencies, schools, parents or can refer themselves. There is no charge to participants in the program.