



## Volunteer Opportunity

# Osprey Watch Viewpoint Assistant Kielder

**Are you an enthusiastic team player who can enthuse visitors? Would you like to help to run the Osprey viewpoint at Kielder Waterside? You can help us create awareness of these beautiful birds which visit the UK during their breeding season, in the summer months.**

### Why Northumberland Wildlife Trust needs you?

NWT's aim is to bring people closer to nature so they learn to understand, value and protect it. Part of this plan includes helping to bring species closer to people and to make sure that their conservation is known and understood by all.

### What's involved?

- Working as part of a team to help staff the viewpoint
- Manage telescopes and other viewpoint equipment
- Engage with visitors to answer queries and provide information
- Interpret the action on live web camera to visitors

### What skills, qualities and experience do you need?

- Ability to engage with a wide range of public participants and visitors
- A good standard of fitness, you will be on your feet for prolonged periods of time outdoors
- Knowledge of birds and other wildlife
- Ability to travel to Kielder
- Ability to manage visitors at the viewpoint
- Enthusiasm
- First Aid certification and Risk Assessment & Health and Safety training would be useful but are not essential

### What you might get out of being involved:

- Joining an enthusiastic team to find new friends and to have fun
- Develop your communications skills
- Learn more about wildlife
- Training in relevant health and safety policies and codes of practice
- Opportunity to attend volunteer training events offered by NWT
- Opportunity to build public engagement experience for career development

### How much time will you be expected to give?

The viewpoint will be running from April to August on Saturdays and Sundays. Ideally, a commitment of three or more days over the season would be expected, but fewer would be considered.

### Other information

- Training will be given – training session will take place in March
- Vehicle mileage or public transport costs will be refunded
- NWT operates a comprehensive Health and Safety policy that all volunteers are required to adhere to.
- Appropriate PPE and logos to be worn when instructed.

