



Volunteer Opportunity

Practical Conservation Worker

Join our friendly staff and fellow volunteers in seasonal practical conservation tasks and habitat management works such as tree planting or invasive species removal on nature reserves in Northumberland, Newcastle and North Tyneside.

Responsibilities

- Assisting a project officer in the delivery of practical environmental tasks on NWT reserves and also community / partner sites, other green spaces and corporate sites
- Working to help maintain these areas as a wildlife and public amenity resource
- Assisting in a variety of tasks as appropriate to the season
- Normally to work as part of a team involving staff and/or fellow volunteers

Existing skills and experience needed

No specific skills required as training will be given

First Aid certification
Have undergone risk assessment and health and safety training
Good level of fitness due to walking and manual nature of tasks

Essential or desirable

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Skills development offered

- Training in relevant health and safety policies and codes of practice
- Training in appropriate tool use
- In house, hands on training in delivery of various practical tasks
- Opportunity to attend volunteer training events offered by NWT
- Opportunity to build practical environmental experience for career development

Support available

- Vehicle mileage and public transport costs will be reimbursed
- Personal protective equipment will be supplied when needed

Time commitment needed

One day as and when. Tasks usually take place on weekdays Monday to Friday. Transport in Trust vehicles from Gosforth is available for most activities. Tasks are full days from 9am to between 3 – 4:30 pm.

Any other relevant information

- 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.
- The activities usually continue in poor weather – please bring suitable clothing.
- There are usually no toilet or food and drink facilities available. Please bring a packed lunch.
- It is important that the group leader is made aware if additional items are required before the day of the task

