



Hill End Volunteer - Role Description

Aim of volunteering role: to work in the Hill End team, a group of paid staff and volunteers who work on a variety of environmental, education and conservation projects at the Hill End Centre.

The objective of the volunteering role is to: help ensure that wildlife habitats are conserved and protected, buildings and site are maintained and that people from the local community are made aware of the richness and diversity of the local area.

Tasks:

1. To conserve, maintain and enhance the wildlife activity in areas designated by the Volunteer Manager E.g. filling bird feeders, bramble cutting, pond weed cutting and raking, flowerbed weeding etc.
2. Carry out minor maintenance tasks on the buildings and land E.g. window cleaning, painting and decorating etc
3. Help to present information and arrange activities for visitors to help them to better understand wildlife in Oxfordshire.

These tasks are a guideline and we are keen to meet individual volunteers, find out what they're interested in doing and give them tasks which suit their skills & interests

Time:

Volunteers are welcome to spend as long or as short a time working with us, so long as it is by arrangement with the Volunteer Supervisor. It is suggested that you volunteer for at least 12 days in order to get the most out of the experience.

Place of volunteering:

Most of the work will be at the Hill End Centre under the guidance of the volunteer supervisor.

Volunteer supervisor:

David Millin Site and Operations Manager Outdoor Learning Service

Transport:

Transport to the site is not provided and there are poor public transport links.



Skills required:

1. Interest in and commitment to the environment, education and residential education.
2. Interest in and ability to work with people from all walks of life.
3. A good communicator, a sense of humour, flexibility and a team player.

References:

Two references from people who have known you 2 years or more are needed for all volunteers. If you are working with children or vulnerable adults, or their information, you will need to undergo a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check.

Materials required:

Wellington boots, overalls and waterproofs can be provided if necessary. All tools and Protective Personal Equipment (PPE) are supplied.

Benefits offered:

1. Full training on environmental issues, health and safety
2. On the job training where necessary;
3. Full insurance cover.
4. Reference
5. Networking opportunity in the outdoor education system.
6. Working as part of a team at a time of rapid development of an established Oxfordshire outdoor education centre.

Come and join the Hill End team!