

Volunteer Ranger – North Dorset Properties

Purpose of the role

To assist the Area Ranger in the practical countryside management, conservation and presentation of National Trust properties at Fontmell and Melbury Downs, Hambledon and Hod Hills and Win Green near Shaftesbury in Wiltshire.

Work closely with other volunteers, where good practical and people skills are desirable.

The role would suit people who have a love of the outdoors and strong interest in nature conservation, natural history, archaeology, countryside management and local history.

By getting involved, you could

- Have fun and help visitors enjoy themselves.
- Get experience of working on some of the most special places around.
- Help run local events.
- Join an enthusiastic and varied team and make some new friends.

What's involved?

- The role can be physically demanding, so you will need to be reasonably fit and willing to work outdoors throughout the year in all weather conditions.
- Gain knowledge, understanding and practical experience of the range of skills and attributes of a ranger and the work we do.
- Help deliver conservation work, ecological surveys and monitoring.
- Maintain good working relationships with tenants, neighbours,

- local communities and other organisations.
- Welcome and liaise with visitors by providing information and guidance.
- Opportunity to assist with organised outdoor events and activities like Glow Worm walks and Hambledon Day.
- Being aware of the different access requirements of our visitors and assisting with these where necessary.
- Adhere to the National Trust Health and Safety Policy at all times.
- Encourage responsible access to the property.
- Have a sense of humour!

This role will suit you if you are ...

- Someone who loves the outdoors and meeting people.
- Cheerful and positive, even when the weather's not on your side.
- Willing to get stuck in with anything on a busy day.
- Reasonably fit – you don't need to be Geoff Capes, but you could be on your feet all day.
- Keen to help, but unable to commit to regular volunteering throughout the year.

Expected contribution time Last Sunday of each month (approx. 6 hours, 10am- 4pm)

Expenses Reimbursement of out of pocket travel costs between home and the specific volunteering location. Other reasonable expenses as agreed with the ranger.

Location Meeting at any one of the following properties including Fontmell and Melbury Downs, Hambledon Hill, Hod Hill or Win Green.

Reporting to Clive Whitbourn, Area Ranger

Find out more

For more information about this role and to request an application form, please contact:

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Volunteer Role Profile

Volunteer Ranger at North Dorset Countryside Properties

North and West Dorset Countryside Team

