



South Cumbria Rivers Trust

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Job Description

Projects Engagement Officer

Responsible to: Partnerships and Engagement Manager

Contract Type: Fixed term contract, Full-time at South Cumbria Rivers Trust (SCRT)

Contract available for 37.5 hrs a week for 10 months, with the possibility of extension, subject to funding.

Salary: £25,000 (per annum)

Project: The Windermere Septic Tank Emptying Programme (STEP) and Reedbed Restoration

Role purpose:

Leading community engagement in the Windermere catchment, for the Windermere STEP programme and reedbed restoration activities.

Contributing to the achievement of SCRT's aims and objectives and the creation of future strategies regarding the water quality of Windermere.

Key Deliverables

- Work with key stakeholders and the SCRT team to develop a risk register for septic tanks in target areas.
- Locating, collating, mapping and recording septic tanks around the Windemere catchment.
- Engaging, communicating and sharing information with appropriate stakeholders and partners.
- Providing advice and guidance about private sewage systems, water quality and environmental impacts.
- Actively engaging with homeowners and businesses about septic tanks and how to utilise different mechanisms to ensure compliance.
- Actively engaging with volunteers and stakeholders about reedbed restoration.
- Co-ordinating with local contractors to carry out technical assessments, water quality sampling and an emptying programme.
- Detailed planning, preparation and delivery of a wide range of events and activities to raise awareness and engage the local and wider communities in the Windermere STEP programme and reedbed restoration.
- Reporting to SCRT Team Leaders, SCRT Trustees and to the relevant grant authority, at regular intervals.

- Evaluate approaches undertaken and assess their effectiveness for use in different areas.
- Identifying opportunities for funding and working with partners to maximise funding potential.

Person Specification

Essential:

- Excellent communication skills to inspire people to actively participate
- Experience of working with various partners and/or stakeholders
- Excellent planning and organisational skills
- Dedicated, confident and enthusiastic
- Clean driver's licence and own transport (mileage expenses will be paid)

Desirable:

- A scientific background with knowledge of private sewage systems and water quality
- Understanding of the complexities of stakeholder management and catchment processes

Other duties:

You are required to undertake such other duties appropriate to the grade and content of the work as may reasonably be required of you.

Location:

The successful applicant will be based out of the South Cumbria Rivers Trust offices at Low Wood, near Ulverston on the banks of the River Leven near to Windermere.

Duration of the Post: This is a full-time post. The post will be subject to a 3-month probationary period followed by a development phase. This process will be managed by the SCRT Partnerships and Engagement Manager, within the SCRT management structure.

Terms and Conditions:

1. The appointment will be on a 10-month contract basis, with a probationary period of 3 months. Subject to funding, an extension to this contract may be offered.
2. This is a part time post of 37.5 hours per week requiring flexibility in working hours.
3. Salary will be £25,000 p.a.
4. Reasonable expenses, including a mileage allowance, will be paid.
5. Annual leave entitlement is at FTE 25 days plus public holidays, pro rata.
6. A contributory pension scheme organised through the Rivers Trust, will be offered.

7. Candidates for this post are required to declare any unspent or pending charges of a criminal nature.
8. The successful candidate will need a current, clean driving licence and have suitable transport and will be expected to live in the South Cumbria area.



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Company Registration No: 5763380. It is also a registered Charity: No 1114682
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