

Volunteer Role Description

Role Title: Visitor Engagement Volunteer

Location: Whisby Nature Park, Moor Lane, Thorpe-on-the-Hill, Lincoln, LN6 9BW

Why do we need this Volunteer Role?: Whisby Nature Park is a beautiful landscape near Lincoln, full of wildlife, walks and trails. It is visited by over 170,000 people each year. This volunteer role would be to raise the profile of the work of the Trust and to engage with visitors about the wonderful wildlife of Whisby. They would be ambassadors for appropriate site use and provide engagement activities and information at the entrance to the reserve. They may also spend time out on the nature reserve noting important wildlife sighting and talking with the general public.

What's involved:

- Being a presence in 'The Barn' to welcome visitors to Whisby Nature park and/or walking around the reserve to engage with visitors.
- Providing a range of engagement activities and information to give visitors a deeper appreciation of Whisby's wonderful wildlife.
- Representing the Trust in an appropriate manner when on-site and inspiring others to support us by referring any visitors to further information.
- Reporting any damage, incidents and activities to the wardens.
- Undertaking in house training appropriate to the role.

Who would this role suit?:

Essential skills/experience:

- Ability and availability to visit the site throughout the year.
- A genuine interest in conservation and wildlife.
- Ability to communicate effectively with the public.
- A reasonable degree of physical fitness.
- The ability to work within guidelines set by the Warden team.
- Sensible regard for health and safety.

Desirable skills/experience: |

- Familiarity with Whisby Nature Park.
- An affinity with and commitment to the aims of the Wildlife Trust. |

What's in it for you?

- The opportunity to share a love and knowledge of wildlife and the natural world
- Role specific training
- The opportunity to gain new wildlife and bird watching skills,
- meeting new people and making friends.
- A real opportunity to make a difference and give back to the local community
- Free car parking available on site.
- Branded clothing to wear whilst on site.

Extra Information:**Commitment: Regular (weekly or more)****Duration: Ongoing****Role Subject to Safer Recruitment Processes? No****Application process: Expression of interest form**