



## **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY:**

## **Buildings and Maintenance**

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### **Why do we need you?**

We are involved in developing new structures and exhibits within the site at Martin Mere in order to enhance the visitor experience. By volunteering your time with this small group you will be helping to ensure that Martin Mere's grounds are maintained to the highest standards for our visitors. We use resources creatively to maximum effect which is why we need enthusiastic and hardworking people to help with these projects.

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### **Who will be responsible for your role?**

Buildings & Maintenance Manager

### **Where will you be based?**

Martin Mere centre

### **How much time will it take?**

1 or 2 days per week, Monday – Friday with an 8am start

We will mutually agree the hours that you can contribute and it would be helpful if you could try to give us as much notice as possible on the occasions when you are not able to contribute those hours.

### **What will you be doing?**

- Assisting with all construction and maintenance work with the buildings and maintenance team as well as carrying out simple tasks unsupervised after suitable training.
- Constructing hides.
- Repairing paths and fences.
- Building and repairing bridges.
- Minor horticultural work.
- Health & Safety monitoring.
- Painting and timber treatment.
- All aspects of building maintenance.

### **Who are we looking for?**

- Practical DIY experience is essential.
- A reasonable level of fitness is necessary.
- Willing to work in all weathers.
- Ability to work as part of a team or alone as required.
- Joinery skills are particularly useful.
- The ability to start at 8am is helpful.

## How will you benefit?

- This is an excellent opportunity to work within an internationally renowned wetland site.
  - Suitable uniform is provided to all regular volunteers.
  - Discount is available in the cafe and shop on the days of volunteering.
  - Training opportunities will be provided.
  - Free entry to all WWT wetland centres throughout the UK on presentation of your WWT name badge.
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## General notes:

This position may require helping out on other days in addition to rota days but this will be infrequent and will be agreed with your head of department and will be subject to your availability.

You will need your own transport to get to the centre as it is 2 miles from the nearest public transport in Burscough. We regret that we are not in a position to reimburse expenses incurred for travel to the site.

This position is entirely voluntary and is therefore unpaid. Any offer of a volunteer placement is not intended to create a legally binding contract between us and any agreement may be cancelled at any time at the discretion of either party. Neither of us intends any employment relationship to be created either now or at any time in the future.

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