

Voluntary Forest of Avon Trust Community Trees Officer

The Forest of Avon Trust is the locally based charity to plant many more trees in Bristol and the surrounding area and to work with communities across the area to do this.

Trust Objectives are to: Promote and demonstrate the many benefits of trees to as wide a range of people as possible; get trees planted individually, in gardens, streets, green spaces or as woodlands, with a strong focus on areas of low tree cover; improve the management of woodlands and help safeguard these where they are under threat; and make a lasting contribution to peoples' quality of life.

Exciting Voluntary Opportunity:

This has arisen for winter 2011/12 to work alongside our staff of two to support and help deliver community based tree planting schemes.

This work will involve:

- Identifying and working closely with community groups;
- Direct mailing priority streets with free tree offers and following this up on foot;
- Liaising with groups and individuals to organise tree distribution events and attending these;
- Supporting and attending community based tree planting events;
- To support the production of promotional material including press releases;
- To maintain records of tree plantings

Skills/ Qualifications Required:

- A strong knowledge of trees, how to plant and maintain them.
- A confident, outgoing nature;
- An excellent organiser;
- A commitment to project delivery;
- Word processing skills including the use of MS Excel;

Summary Dimensions:

Restrictions?

You will need to be able to plant trees and carry associated equipment.

Expenses?

We will pay agreed mileage at the HMRC rate.

Commitment?

Minimum- 15 hours/ week; minimum commitment 3 months, ideally more.

Support?

You will work as part of a small team, but would be expected to work with a high degree of devolved responsibility. There will be advisory/ work experience support, where appropriate, for future employment/ personal development. This opportunity could help support professional qualification as a Landscape Architect.

Transport & Driving Licence Requirements?

You will need to have a car or van, adequately insured for the job and have a valid driving licence.

Interested? Contact Jon Clark on 0117 963 3383.