

JOB DESCRIPTION

Farmland Wildlife Advisor



OFFICE BASE:	Brooke House, Ashbocking, Suffolk. IP6 9JY
WORK LOCATIONS:	Brooke House
WORK HOURS:	37.5 hours per week. Occasional weekends and evenings, with time given off in lieu Flexible working/working from home may be considered
SALARY:	Up to £27,000 pa (Based on experience). Pension with 8% Employer's Contribution
HOLIDAY:	31 days per annum (pro rata including bank holidays)
REPORTING TO:	Head of Conservation

OVERALL PURPOSE OF JOB

We are in a time of change but also of great opportunity to help wildlife in Suffolk. The post will work closely with landowners to create significant wildlife-friendly areas of land across the county.

The role will lead on environmental advice to farmers, guided by the Trust's five-year strategy. Significant focus will be on our conservation priorities: farmland birds, wolverine, pollinating insects, nightingale, dormouse, amphibians, stag beetle and hedgehog and the habitats needed to support these species.

You will need to develop a landscape scale approach, encouraging contiguous farmers to adopt wildlife friendly methods, such as through agri-environment options or re-wilding, maximising linkages between farms.

MAIN RESPONSIBILITIES

- Working with farmers and landowners, inspiring them to take action to help Suffolk's wildlife either through direct management or via 'softer' re-wilding approaches
- Setting up, developing and supporting farmer and landowner clusters, encouraging long-term self-reliance
- Providing both informal habitat management advice and detailed agri-environment scheme advice, design, application completion and delivery
- Setting up volunteer groups to monitor our priority species to enable us to measure the success of our work and to provide informal advice outside of our priority areas
- Reporting successes to Trustees, members and the wider public through social media and events

OTHER RESPONSIBILITIES

- Working strategically with other team members to co-ordinate our farmland advisory work with our work on rivers, parishes and urban sites
- Work closely with nature reserve site managers to ensure complementary landscape approaches
- Represent the Trust at external stakeholder meetings
- Be an ambassador for Suffolk Wildlife Trust