

# Volunteer Role Profile



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**Wildlife Surveyor**

Volunteer Manager

**Community Engagement Ranger**

Where you will be based

**Outdoors**

## Why we want you

The National Landscapes have a dedicated team who work to conserve and enhance the landscapes and cultural heritage of this wonderful area. Volunteering with these teams is a great opportunity to explore the outdoors. Biodiversity (wildlife) monitoring is a key part of the work we do allowing decisions on future management of sites and habitats. This role would be suitable for anyone interested in experiencing and learning more from being outdoors, watching wildlife and exploring these themes. The types of wildlife that you could be surveying include birds, bats, butterflies, insects, reptiles heathland, grassland, trees, fungi, but new opportunities are being developed all the time.

There are also opportunities to work through other teams and projects to carry out surveys outside of the National Landscape.

The roles are flexible and can fit around your requirements.

## What you will be doing

- Taking part in surveys to monitor the presence and abundance of different wildlife species.
- This involves either visiting locations to survey for particular species or walking routes to identify and count specific animals and plants you see.

## The skills you need

- Interest in wildlife
- Enthusiasm for the outdoors and a natural environment
- Some monitoring schemes will require a reasonable level of personal fitness
- Some monitoring scheme will require the ability to read a map

## What's in it for you

- Training and ongoing support in various biodiversity monitoring techniques
- Play a vital role in the work of the National Landscape, especially in respect of wildlife
- The chance to work across beautiful landscapes



- Gain more confidence and a variety of transferrable skills
- Making new friends and being of an inclusive team
- Working alongside the National Landscape team and its partner organisations

## **Disclaimer**

Somerset Council is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults and expects all volunteers to share this commitment.