

Green Angels Support Volunteer



Volunteer Role:	Green Angels Support Volunteer
Reports To:	Green Angels Project Officer
Term:	4 month period – ideally 3 days per week
Location:	Hassall Green Nature Reserve CW11 4XX.

Purpose of the Support Volunteer role

The Support Volunteer will be based at Hassall Green Nature Reserve (HGNR) and will assist in the hands-on delivery of Green Angels activities, on and off-site activities, committing to a four month in-depth work placement.

As the Green Angels Support Volunteer, you will need to be flexible and enjoy working with a wide variety of people. You will need to be a practical person who is passionate about the natural world and community engagement. You will support the delivery of practical, onsite projects and courses and support the Project Officer, other support volunteers, managing partners, trainees, and volunteers to make the most of their experience and time with Green Angels. You will also be required to attend select community engagement events to assist the project officer with promotion of the project.

There may be some weekend work and travel involved as Green Angels is delivered at Hassall Green Nature Reserve and has the potential to encompass some activities in the local community. Ideally you will have good organisation and time management skills, the ability to work well independently and as part of a team. You will work directly with the Green Angels Project Officer, with other Land Trust colleagues and our sites' managing partner staff.

What a Support Volunteer can expect

- You will work with groups of trainees and volunteers and have the opportunity to guide their experience and potentially lead small group activities under the supervision and guidance of the Green Angels Project Officer.
- You will gain experience in practical nature conservation, group leadership & volunteer management, project planning, marketing & promotion.
- You will have access to the Land Trust's internal compliance training programmes, such as Health and Safety, outdoor first aid and safeguarding.
- You will have a training budget allowance for external training courses relevant to the role.
- You will gain hands on, vocational experience within the environmental industry giving you the opportunity to enhance your employability chances and CV.
- You will have a 1:1 employability coaching session offering CV writing advice, interview preparation and advice on gaining employment in the environmental sector.
- There is the initial flexibility to design your Green Angels working hours to fit around any additional studying/work/commitments/personal circumstances.
- Branded "The Land Trust" clothing - t-shirt & waterproof coat.
- Reasonable travel expenses
- All tools, materials, and safety equipment to do the job will be provided.
- Occasional evening and weekend availability will be required.
- As Hassall Green Nature Reserve is a remote location with no public transportation links, the Support Volunteer would ideally have a driving licence and access to a vehicle.



Roles & Responsibilities

- Assist with the opening and closing of Hassall Green Nature Reserve to facilitate the delivery of the Green Angels programme.
- Assist with the set up and delivery of the Green Angels programme and volunteering activities on site.
- Assist in the development of stakeholder relations and publicity for Green Angels and HGNR.
- Support the monthly volunteering sessions in conjunction with the Project Officer and our managing partner.
- Maintain positive/supportive and professional relationships with staff, trainees, and volunteers.
- Support the local Green Angels Project Officer and managing partner to achieve the best results from courses for trainees and HGNR.
- With the support of the Green Angels Project Officer, you will be expected to anticipate and troubleshoot any problems that might arise and provide effective problem-solving techniques.
- Provide support in the preparation of refreshments for trainees and volunteers.
- Assist in the set up and delivery of annual Green Angels events and other related external events.
- Assist with community events, such as Yoga, Tai Chi and Drumming Circles when required.

Person Specification

- Pro-active approach, using own initiative.
- A willingness to learn and take on new challenges.
- A passion and enthusiasm for the natural world and community engagement.
- Resourceful and flexible approach to work and challenges.
- Acceptance as a Support Volunteer Officer is subject to satisfactory ID checks and a satisfactory criminal records check of basic DBS clearance.

Equal Opportunity

The land trust is committed to the principle of equal opportunity in volunteer roles, we aim to ensure that no applicant or volunteer receives less favourable treatment on the grounds of age, disability, gender re-assignment, marriage or civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex or sexual orientation.

Safeguarding

The Land Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of everyone who has contact with its services and colleague.