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## Volunteer role description

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<b>Role title:</b>	Youth and Community Volunteer – Idle Valley Nature Reserve
<b>Team/Group:</b>	Engagement Team
<b>Your volunteer leader:</b>	Charleen Case, Ranger
<b>Volunteering base:</b>	Idle Valley Rural Learning Centre, North Road, East Retford, DN22 8RQ

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### Why we need this role

Nottinghamshire Wildlife Trust is committed to engaging people with nature. We deliver a huge variety of opportunities for people to learn about the natural world. We need volunteers to support the team at Idle Valley in delivering a fun and exciting programme of sessions and events. The team provides activities all year round including: practical conservation and skills development, pond dipping, bird watching, fire lighting, mini beasting, surveying & ecology and lots more! Being a charity, NWT absolutely relies on its volunteers to operate. We need enthusiastic people to assist with the delivery of our events and session.

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### What this role involves

As a Youth and Community Volunteer you will be working as part of a fantastic team of diverse ages and backgrounds who come together to make a difference for wildlife and people's appreciation of it.

You may help with resource preparation, moving equipment around the reserve and helping to clear away following sessions. You will also work with participants directly through knowledge sharing, support during activities, guiding groups to different locations and taking part in activities and demonstrations. In addition, there will be the opportunity to input into session planning. You will need be happy to drive young people to different locations on the reserve.

We request each volunteer to dress for the weather; wearing layers is the best way to prepare for the good old British climate.

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### Experience and skills needed

Enjoys engaging with children, young people and the wider community.

Driving Licence

Approachable and patient, with a friendly personality.

Ability to work as part of a team.

Interested in wildlife and conservation.

Good communication skills and the willingness to help people.

Ability to use own initiative to support groups and the team.

Moderate physical fitness and mobility for walking and carrying equipment over uneven ground

Flexible and adaptable in your approach to volunteering.

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## Benefits and training opportunities

Be part of a great team at our fantastic visitor centre.

Meet new friends and attend occasional volunteer social events.

Get time out on the nature reserve and learn about the natural world.

Excellent work experience for future employment prospects.

Free tea and coffee when volunteering and 20% reduction for all training courses, shop products and café food.

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## Commitment

Once a month on a Sunday from 9.30am till 1.30pm for Young Ranger Sessions and community events throughout the year

As a volunteer you would be in regular receipt of an email outlining the forthcoming sessions/events that you can sign up to. You can volunteer however frequently/infrequently you like and you are under no obligation to commit to a set working pattern.

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## Duration of role

Ongoing

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## References and DBS check required

Yes

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All volunteers are asked to agree to our [Volunteer Code of Conduct](#)

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