

# Sherbourne Valley Project Manager

Recruitment information









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If you're passionate and enthusiastic about nature, then we have an opportunity for you. In this role you'd be working on a high impact, landscape scale partnership project, helping to tackle the nature and climate emergencies.

Sound like your ideal job? Then read on...

#### **About Warwickshire Wildlife Trust**

We are a grass roots organisation that began in 1970. We manage an estate covering 1,000 hectares in Warwickshire, Coventry and Solihull.

We believe everyone, everywhere, should have access to nature and the joy and health benefits it brings. As one of the largest Wildlife Trusts in the UK, we have put ourselves on the forefront of enabling nature's recovery.

This is the most important decade in the history of nature conservation and an exciting time to be joining us. If we are to tackle the climate and ecological crises, we need the best people who share our ambition to bring wildlife back.

# The Role

As Sherbourne Valley Project Manager, you'll be well organised, a good communicator, and committed to enabling others to act for nature by restoring the River Sherbourne and the land that surrounds it in Coventry.

In this role you will be leading the Sherbourne Valley Project team, liaising with partner organisations and community groups, to design and deliver projects that enable nature's recovery and engage people with city's river.

The Sherbourne Valley Project is bringing back the source of our city. For people, for wildlife, for the future.

Are you enthusiastic about the natural world?

Do you have an understanding of the natural world and the techniques available to support nature's recovery?

Are you comfortable working in partnership with multiple organisations to achieve shared outcomes?

Then this could be the ideal role for you...



# The Project

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The Sherbourne Valley Project is funded by: The National Lottery Heritage Fund, with a cash match contributed by Coventry City Council, Environment Agency, Sherbourne Valley Churches, and Severn Trent.

## It has 6 key aims:

- The people of Coventry feel connected to the River Sherbourne and the surrounding green spaces
- 2. The river and its associated habitat are improved for wildlife
- 3. The river is more accessible to people along its length
- 4. The built heritage is better preserved and celebrated
- 5. The local community is empowered to take ownership of their river
- Local communities are provided with information and learning opportunities about their river



# You will help fulfil our vision of a wilder Warwickshire

Warwickshire Wildlife Trust is embarking on an ambitious new strategy. By 2030 we want to have put wildlife into recovery by creating more space for nature with more people on nature's side.

The Sherbourne Valley Project team play a crucial role in helping to deliver that vision. The project involves working with partners to deliver landscape scale nature recovery projects. It works across rural and urban settings, from re-wiggling rivers on Coundon Wedge to working with schools in Spon End.

The Sherbourne Valley Project is developing and delivering projects that will have a lasting impact on biodiversity across the landscape. Including habitat restoration and creation, community engagement, citizen science and species surveys. These projects will enable nature to recover and wildlife to thrive.

A local response to the global challenge of the climate and nature emergencies, with the ultimate vision of creating a landscape rich in wildlife and accessible to all.

To find out more visit:

https://www.sherbournevalley.co.uk/





### Experience, skills and attributes

To succeed in this role, you'll need to be...

- Someone who is well organised with great attention to detail
- A great communicator and a real team player
- Driven and always seeking to improve
- Flexible, adaptable and solution focussed

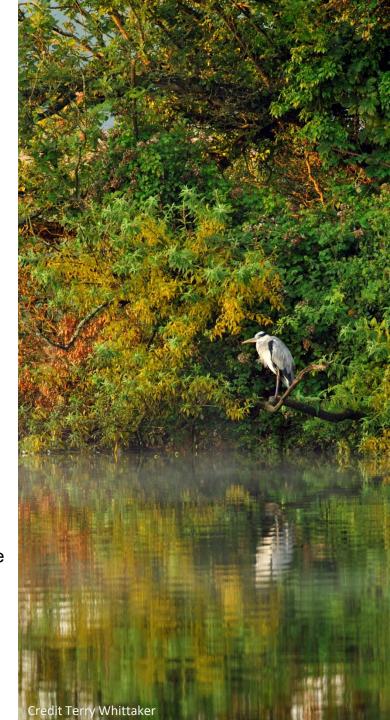
Our ideal candidate will have some experience of working with partner organisations, working collaboratively, and be ready for the next chapter in your career. If you lack some of the elements in the job description, then we're looking for you to demonstrate that you understand the theory and could apply that in the real world.

You should already have a solid understanding of Windows desktop operating systems and Microsoft 365 – and your brilliant project management skills will be just as important.

### **Job Description**

In the role you will be...

- Liaising with project partners, notably NLHF, and other funders and stakeholders (including Environment Agency, Severn Trent, City of Culture, Citizen Housing, Diocese of Coventry, Coventry University, Historic Coventry Trust).
- Leading the project team, maintaining the positive high impact culture within the team, and supporting people to be the best versions of themselves at work.
- Overseeing the delivery of the Project Plans to ensure the Sherbourne Valley Project delivers the agreed outcomes with NLHF within the agreed timescales and budget.
- Ensuring that the Sherbourne Valley Project delivers on the Trust's objectives of creating more space for nature and enabling people to take action for wildlife through the 'Team Wilder' concept.
- Managing the Sherbourne Valley Project's budget including monitoring and authorising income and expenditure.
- Supporting the delivery of the Communications and Interpretation Plan, ensuring that the brand and funders guidelines are adhered to.



#### **Terms**

We will assess your experience and skill level and appoint the best candidate to meet our needs.

- Full-time 35 hours per week.
- Permanent role.
- Salary is dependent on experience (£37,729 £45,814).
- Annual leave entitlement starts at 25 days per annum plus bank holidays.
- We provide an employee assistance programme.
- A 6% employer pension contribution (to be reviewed/increased in 2025).
- Access to the electric vehicle salary sacrifice scheme.
- Death in service benefit.
- Staff discount in our shops.

This role is contracted to Brandon Marsh Nature Centre, CV3 3GW. It follows the agile working framework, which guides all roles at the Trust (i.e. a balance of office, site & home working where appropriate to the role). It also includes regular travel across county.

#### How to apply

To make an application, please complete the online application form via our website by Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2024. The **interviews will be held on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2024**.

Thank you for your interest in this position and we look forward to receiving your application.







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