



# Conservation and Landscape Officer

## Job Description

<b>Post:</b>	<b>Conservation and Landscape Officer</b>
<b>Location:</b>	Chilterns Conservation Board offices, Chinnor, Oxfordshire
<b>Grade:</b>	B6, £24,968 – £28,117
<b>Responsible to:</b>	Countryside Officer
<b>Responsible for:</b>	Supervision of <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- short term contract project staff</li><li>- student placements</li><li>- volunteers</li></ul> Managing an annual budget of approx. £10,000
<b>Principal Contacts:</b>	Local landowners and land managers Farming/land management organisations Local community groups

### **Main Duties and Responsibilities**

1. To provide the Board with strategic and technical advice on management of land to meet its wildlife conservation and landscape objectives
2. To provide directly or arrange specialist technical advice to landowners and managers on appropriate land management to conserve and enhance Chilterns wildlife and landscape directly.
3. To provide a general information service to land managers, landowners and local communities seeking advice on land management
4. To promote agri-environment and other land management grant schemes which deliver benefit for biodiversity and the landscape

5. To promote co-operative approaches to management of woodland and farmland habitats to achieve landscape scale action including contributing to the preparation, implementation, monitoring and review of relevant Biodiversity Action Plans.
6. To promote exchange of information and experience between land managers, agencies and organisations establishing, where necessary, special networks and task groups
7. To undertake directly and organise surveys, monitoring and research.
8. To contribute to the development and management of information systems including GIS to monitor and guide change in the natural environment and develop policy and actions.
9. To organise, support and co-ordinate activities which promote public awareness of farming and other forms of land management.
10. To promote public and landowners awareness of the impact of the CROW Act 2000 on farmland.
11. To promote local products which provide environmental benefits in the Chilterns.
12. To promote opportunities for farmers to develop green tourism initiatives.

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## **Farming and Land Use Officer Terms and Conditions of Employment**

1. This is a full time and permanent position with a basic working week of 37.5 hours.
2. The post is based in the Conservation Board's offices in Chinnor, Oxfordshire.
3. The post holder will be expected to establish a home within reasonable daily travelling distance of the Board's office.
4. The post is offered on the Grade B6 £24,968 – £28,117. Initial placement on the salary scale will be subject to experience and ability.
5. To post older is eligible to join the Board's final salary pension scheme. Employee contributions are approx.6%.
6. The post is subject to a six month probationary period.
7. The post holder must have a full driving licence.
8. The post holder will be required to use their own car to carry out their duties and will receive a mileage rate of 40 pence per mile.
9. The basic leave entitlement will be 25 days plus 8 public holidays.
10. The post holder will be required to work occasional week-ends and evenings. No overtime is payable but time in lieu can be taken.