



**HEART OF TEESDALE**

Landscape Partnership

# Volunteers

## Volunteer Role Profile

<b>Organisation:</b>	<b>Heart of Teesdale</b>
<b>Role title:</b>	<b>Flatts Wood and Tees Bank Guardian Volunteer</b>
<b>Reports to:</b>	<b>Karen Collins, Volunteering Officer Environmental and Green Issues</b>
<b>Working hours:</b>	<b>1 - 2 hours / week</b>
<b>Timescale:</b>	<b>present day to March 2016</b>
<b>Location:</b>	<b>Flatts Wood and Tees Bank, Barnard Castle</b>
<b>Salary:</b>	<b>Unpaid</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>	<b>None</b>
<b>Recruitment method:</b>	<b>Informal chat with Emma Ashton-Wickett (Paths for All People Officer) and/or Karen Collins.</b>

### Background information

The Heart of Teesdale Landscape Partnership is dedicated to conserving the natural and historic landscape for the people of Teesdale, visitors and for future generations; it relies on the support and commitment of volunteers and local communities.

### Role summary

To become part of a new team of local "guardian" volunteers who will regularly walk the main paths through Flatts Wood/Percy Beck (Cleveland Walk, Kings Walk and part of Druids Walk) and the section of the Teesdale Way through Tees Bank (from the Silver Bridge to Spa Field) and then report back any issues that may have arisen in these areas such as any problems with the paths, benches, trees, signs, litter, etc.

### Key tasks

- To walk the main paths through the woods (as mentioned above) once or twice a week to ascertain if any problems have arisen;
- Report these back to the Heart of Teesdale Landscape Partnership (either Karen or Emma);
- To adhere to relevant health and safety procedures whilst undertaking this task.

### Skills/Commitment required

- Be generally physically fit;
- Be able to commit to walking through the woods at least once a week.

### **Training and information provided**

- Basic Health and Safety training
- Further instruction of what is expected and reporting procedures.

### **Additional responsibilities**

- Comply with the Heart of Teesdale's Health and Safety Policy in all activities;
- Comply with the Heart of Teesdale's Equal Opportunities Policy and Procedure in all activities;
- Maintain a proactive approach in dealing with the public, other volunteers and partner organisations, representing a positive image of the Heart of Teesdale;
- Undertake any training and development deemed necessary for the pursuance of the role;
- Any other duties commensurate with the level of the role.

These are responsibilities which we expect all our volunteers to undertake.

### **Contact details**

If you are interested or would like to find out more please contact:

**Karen Collins, Volunteering Officer Environmental and Green Issues**

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