

# Country Parks Conservation volunteer role description

<b>Role title</b>	Country Parks Conservation Volunteer
<b>Purpose of the role</b>	To assist Country Parks staff with various outdoor and physical tasks to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Keep the park accessible and attractive for visitors</li> <li>• Improve and conserve habitats for future generations.</li> </ul>
<b>What you will be doing</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tasks may include coppicing, creating hedgerows, pond maintenance and ditch digging. You may use tools such as bow saws, loppers and spades.</li> <li>• Working in a team with other volunteers and Country Parks staff.</li> </ul>
<b>Skills, experience and qualities needed</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No previous experience needed, as training will be provided.</li> <li>• A willingness to be outside in all weathers and tackle physical tasks whilst working in a group of like-minded people.</li> <li>• <b>Volunteers must be over 18 years old.</b></li> </ul>
<b>When and where</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Itchen Valley Country Park</li> <li>• Selected weekdays</li> <li>• Times and dates will be confirmed based on staff and seasonal needs.</li> </ul>
<b>Support offered</b>	<p>Country Parks staff will be on hand to give relevant training and demonstrations as required.</p> <p>Let us know if you have any additional needs, we should be aware of, on the application form. These will not stop you being able to volunteer, but we need to be aware of them for our planning.</p>
<b>What you could get out of it</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A chance to get active outdoors, be part of a community of volunteers and develop new conservation skills.</li> <li>• An opportunity to give back to the local community, share ideas and achieve tasks</li> </ul>
<b>Other relevant information</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• You will need to wear clothes suitable for working outdoors in all weathers and sturdy footwear. PPE, such as gloves, will be provided.</li> <li>• If the weather is too wet or windy, we will do our best to contact you to confirm that the session is cancelled.</li> <li>• A parking pass will be given to you for the dates you can volunteer.</li> <li>• Refreshments will be provided.</li> </ul>
<b>What to do if you're interested</b>	<p>Fill out an application form via <a href="http://www.eastleigh.gov.uk/volunteer">www.eastleigh.gov.uk/volunteer</a></p> <p>You can contact Wendy at <a href="mailto:volunteer@eastleigh.gov.uk">volunteer@eastleigh.gov.uk</a> or phone and leave a message for Bonnie on 023 8068 3790, if you have any questions.</p>