

VOLUNTEER ROLE DESCRIPTION



Volunteer Role / Title
Saving Scotland's Red Squirrels – Local Squirrel Monitor
Location
Bridge of Don, West End, Aberdeen City.
How many volunteers are needed?
Five.
How many hours per day/per week are you needed?
Two hours every fortnight.
On which days are you needed?
Flexible.
On what date do we want you to start?
May 2024.
End Date
Ongoing.
Minimum commitment we require from you (eg 1 day per week for 6 months). If any.
Two hours every fortnight for a minimum of six months, but ideally long-term.
Objective(s) of your volunteer role
<p>SSRS has been working locally with Aberdeen City Council and wider project partners since 2009 to reduce grey squirrel density and distribution in the north east. Our work to date has been very successful, and we are now aiming to completely eradicate grey squirrels from the north east of Scotland. With the help of local volunteers, we are carrying out intensive survey and monitoring work across the region to detect remaining individuals and humanely dispatch them.</p> <p>Your role will help contribute towards these efforts, carrying out feeder-box surveys as part of the SSRS's North East Team's Rapid Response Monitoring. Survey results will inform our grey squirrel control on the ground. Red squirrels and pine martens may also be detected during surveys.</p>
Tasks
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Monitor squirrel feeder boxes (and trail cameras where applicable) fortnightly• Liaise with the Grey Squirrel Officer and Community Engagement Officer

Description of the personal attributes/skills/qualifications required
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enthusiastic about protecting red squirrels • Good level of fitness • Own transport if not living locally
Support/training?
Full training and mentoring provided.
Who is the contact person/line manager for enquiries?
Saving Scotland's Red Squirrels Programme Support Officer – squirrels@scottishwildlifetrust.org.uk
Closing date for applications
Ongoing.
When will interviews be held?
No date set (we will contact applicants by email when we receive applications)
Can SWT provide expenses e.g. for travel or branded clothing?
Some travel expenses may be covered, subject to budgetary constraints.
Will you want references for volunteers before appointing or PVG disclosure?
No
Other (Any age restriction, lifts available? Disabled access?)