**Natterjack Toad Surveyor**

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| *Main Tasks* |
| We are looking for an enthusiastic and reliable individual to support the monitoring of our natterjack toad population at Red Rocks on the Wirral coast. The role requires a regular commitment to the monitoring of the population from April to late summer. Weekly or possibly fortnightly commitments are required. We may offer the role to several people in order to achieve the monitoring coverage required.  This is an exciting opportunity to gain an in depth understanding of natterjack toad ecology and hands on experience monitoring them. Previous experience is not necessary. However, you will be expected to have an interest in wildlife conservation and some baseline knowledge.  You will be expected to attend a natterjack ecology training session and together with assistance from Sarah Bennet you will learn how to monitor natterjack toads at Red Rocks. Monitoring includes the life stages from spawn to toadlets as well as adults. You will also be good with people and engage with visitors to Red Rocks about the natterjack toads. |

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| *Volunteer specification* |
| We are looking for someone with the following qualities and abilities:  • A passion for British wildlife and conservation land management  • Enjoys working with the public  • Reliable, proactive and able to use initiative  • Friendly and approachable nature  • Ability to get along with a wide range of people from diverse backgrounds  • Ability to work both alone and as part of a small team  • Good communication skills |

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| *Recruitment & selection* |
| If you are interested in this volunteer role then please email sbennett@cheshirewt.org.uk |

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| *Key facts* |
| Weekly or possibly fortnightly commitments are required. We may offer the role to several people in order to achieve the weekly monitoring coverage required.  Equipment will be provided.  You will be supported by Cheshire Wildlife Trust staff  Most survey days will take a couple of hours rather than fill a whole day (unless you are keen to get involved in other things).  The surveys will take place at Red Rocks nature reserve on West Kirby beach. |

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| *Training* |
| Expected to attend the natterjack ecology training session.  Training in amphibian surveying and monitoring techniques.  Opportunities to expand the role to include analysis of data. |

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| *Support/supervision* |
| The volunteer leader will provide support/supervision. |

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| *Expenses* |
| Cheshire Wildlife Trust as a charity is not able to pay all expenses for volunteers. In special circumstances or if asked to travel to a certain session some expenses can be paid. Please contact the volunteering office for more information 01948 820 728. |

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| *Important policies to read for this role* |
| Please Check out these important policies within our volunteer handbook.  [*Equality and Diversity Statement*](#Equality)  [*Data Protection policy*](#DataProtection)  [*Health and safety policy*](#Healthandsafety)  [*Lone working procedure*](#Loneworking)  [*Disciplinary and complaints procedure*](#complaints) |