



Ribble Life
Together



Education & Engagement Officer

Job Title:	Education & Engagement Officer
Purpose:	To support the delivery of Ribble Life Together, particularly education and engagement activities related to natural (river) heritage
Reports to:	Programme Manager
Location:	The post holder will be based principally within RRT's offices in Clitheroe, with travel around the catchment.
Hours:	37.5 hours per week (part-time/term-time considered)
Starting salary:	£23,000 (pro rata)
Contract:	Fixed term contract until 31 st March 2021 (with possible extension)

Job Description

Ribble Rivers Trust (RRT) is the lead partner for Ribble Life Together (RLT), a catchment scale programme delivering a range of projects and activities to improve the condition, management, knowledge and awareness of the Ribble Catchment and its natural heritage. RLT brings together over 20 stakeholder and interest groups to develop and deliver a catchment action plan that will bring immediate and lasting benefits for people and the environment.

Education and engagement are two of the most important activities we deliver. Over many years, RRT has successfully developed and delivered a range of sessions that meet the needs of teachers, learners and the national curriculum – highlighting rivers as a key habitat and landscape feature. Since 2017 we have worked with over 50 schools and engaged over 3300 pupils. In recent years we have also expanded our engagement activities to include community consultation, events and guided walks, interpretation materials, art projects, short films and other digital and interactive media projects.

We are looking to recruit an Education & Engagement Officer who will be a confident and clear communicator with experience in directly delivering environmental education & engagement activities both in and out of education settings and with community groups. Leading on our work with schools in priority locations across the catchment the Education & Engagement Officer will deliver our education programme, using feedback and evaluation techniques to ensure we continue to improve and develop what we offer.

Successful candidates will have experience of delivering similar projects and activities ensuring both the projects, activities and outcomes are communicated effectively to a wide audience.



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Person Specification

The successful candidate will be able to demonstrate that they are exceptionally self-motivated and are passionate about improving the environment through environmental education. They will be a good communicator, able to demonstrate the successful delivery of projects, ideally with a background in the environmental sector. A good knowledge of the Ribble Catchment and the functioning of river catchments would be desirable.

Essential –

- Ability to work flexibly, including regular evening and weekend days
- Valid driving licence and own car, insured for business use
- Qualification or comparable experience in teaching or delivering education projects
- Experience of producing educational materials
- Experience in delivering community education and engagement projects
- Ability to work on the differing tasks identified in the Job Description at the same time
- Excellent presentation skills and communication skills for a wide range of audiences, particularly school children and teachers
- Possessing good interpersonal skills, both face-to-face and over the phone
- Reliability, good attendance and work performance
- Ability to set performance objectives and ensure these are achieved
- Excellent organisational / admin skills and attention to detail:
 - Good IT skills / maintaining a filing system
 - Keeping records of work undertaken and outcomes
 - Keeping records of expenses incurred
 - Awareness of the need for confidentiality, safeguarding and child protection

Desirable

- Knowledge and experience of environmental issues preferably river conservation
- Knowledge of the Ribble Catchment
- Based near or in the project area.

The successful candidate will be required to undertake an enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check.

Applicants must use the RRT application form, CVs will not be accepted.

The deadline for applications is 9am on Monday 3rd February 2020.

Interviews will take place during the week commencing Monday 10th February 2020.