



Estate Ranger/Assistant Forester

About the Estate:

Eling Estate is located north of Newbury Berkshire. It is a 4,800-acre estate owned and managed by the Gerald Palmer Eling Trust, which is a registered charity. The Estate comprises let farms and commercial forestry as well as a significant residential and commercial let portfolio. The woodlands are open to the public for walking and the Estate is working to create a fuller network of permissible access routes alongside improving space for nature.

Broad Description:

To assist in the day-to-day management of the more natural elements of Eling Estate as well as the Estate woodlands. The role will include maintenance and improvements of the public rights of way and permissive routes. Working alongside the tenant farmers and the in-hand woodland team to enhance the amenity of common parts of the Estate to balance amenity, appearance and environmental habitat.

This position may succeed the role of one or both of the retiring foresters in due course where the applicant has an interest in forestry, which would be an advantage.

Typical duties to include:

- Maintenance and Improvement of Rights of Way
- Planning and creation of permissive routes around the Estate
- Clearance of fallen trees/timber
- Trackway and Pathway maintenance
- Delivering a plan for enhanced hedgerow management (inc planting)
- Grass-cutting/grounds maintenance
- Minor tree surgery work (no climbing or major works, which is carried out by contractors)
- Arrangement and supervision of contracted works
- Working to produce and deliver an environmental management plan – ie the provision and maintenance of habitats
- Being an active warden for activities taking place on the Estate

The role will involve liaising with tenant farmers, foresters, contractors and members of the public to carry out these duties. The applicant will therefore need to be a good communicator and be personable and friendly.

Benefits:

Salary in the region of £30,000 per annum which dependant on experience and negotiable for the right person.

Accommodation is not provided but a house could be made available at a discounted rent to enable better accessibility for applicants and to enable them to perform the duties of the role.

More Information:

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