Norfolk County Wildlife Action Roving Volunteer Surveyor





What's it all about?

Norfolk Wildlife Trust has a number of volunteers who help the Conservation Team to carry out surveys on churchyards registered under the Churchyard Conservation Scheme and County Wildlife Sites (CWS). As part of Norfolk County Wildlife Action project we will be looking to increase the number of roving volunteers to help us survey County Wildlife Sites and churchyards where we do not have any community surveyors.

What will I actually be doing?

Initially you will be asked to pop into Norfolk Wildlife Trust's head office in Norwich to meet with a project officer to learn about the project and how to complete our tailor made survey forms. Then if you decide you want to be a roving surveyor we will arrange a date to meet you on a site and carry out the first survey with you. Once you are familiar with the surveys we will then ask you select up to five CWS and churchyard sites to survey between May and August.

Is this right for me?

For this role we are looking for people with strong botanical identification skills, who feel confident to carry out a survey on their own.



Where will I be volunteering?

This is a two-year project, starting in 2016, which looks to survey 70 County Wildlife Sites and 30 churchyards in total. We would like you to pick between 2 and 5 sites to survey – the map on this webpage shows the first 50 sites we will be surveying this year. If you enjoy it and want to take on more sites we would be happy to discuss this with you later on.

Will I get any training?

Through the project free training workshops will be provided to help volunteers improve their plant identification skills and habitat management knowledge (attendance optional). There will also be opportunity to learn identification skills on site with NWT staff and mentors.







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How much time will I have to give?

We would like you to be available at least twice a month between May and August to carry out surveys.

What support will I get?

Norfolk Wildlife Trust will be on hand to help you with wildlife identification skills, both on a one to one basis and through our Wildlife Information Service. Through the project we will also be able to cover any travel expenses you incur and give you the opportunity to take part in a tailor-made training programme to help you improve your plant identification skills.

What's the next step?

Drop Gemma Walker (Project Officer) an email (gemmaw@norfolkwildlifetrust.org.uk) or give her a ring on 01603 625540.

Gemma will be in touch to arrange for you to pop into Norfolk Wildlife Trust's head office for an informal meeting about the Norfolk Wildlife Trust volunteer role.



I would like to submit other wildlife sightings on the chosen county wildlife sites and churchyards. How can I do this?

At the end of March 2016 an online recording form will go live that will allow you to submit wildlife sightings for our chosen county wildlife sites and churchyards. Through just a couple of clicks you can let us know what you see and help us build a picture of these important local wildlife sites.



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Finding out more:

- What is a County Wildlife Site?
- What is NWT's Churchyard Conservation Scheme?





