

Cumbria Coastal Community Forest Woodland Creation Forester

£30,000 to £36,000 per annum

Cumbria Woodland's vision is for every woodland in Cumbria and beyond to thrive ecologically and economically for the benefit of all. We support cutting edge research, individual training, government-level strategy and multi-million-pound projects, working in conjunction with woodland owners, researchers, environmental experts, and corporate partners.

We have an exciting opportunity for a Woodland Creation Forester to join us, bringing with them their valuable experience of woodland creation on a range of scales.

We welcome applicants who have knowledge of the UK Forest Standard and of forestry, green infrastructure, and natural capital, as well as experience of working with landowners and developing funding packages. A Forestry degree or similar is essential for this role. Whilst not essential, a membership of a professional body such as Institute of Chartered Foresters or working toward membership and a project management qualification are advantageous.

You will design, manage, and monitor projects, schemes, and plans in line with UK Forest Standard.

Fundamental to this role is your passion for promoting the benefits of the Cumbria Coastal Community Forest, woodland planting, and management opportunities to all types of landowners. In accordance with land management targets, you will be keen to secure a stream of projects and opportunities for acquisitions.

You will enjoy sharing your knowledge with landowners, communities, and organisations through various events in which you will take responsibility for organising and promoting.

You will have an attention to detail, particularly important for fulfilling duties in relation to project finance management and UK Forest Standards.

You will have a hard-working approach and a great deal of motivation, recognising the importance of team spirit whilst also being able to deliver results when working alone. You will have a consultative approach to decision making and problem solving.

You will be a confident communicator who can strike a rapport with everyone you meet and be comfortable working in partnerships with others to achieve shared goals.

In addition, you will have strong ICT skills which includes GIS and a driving licence with access to a vehicle in order to visit sites in line with the requirements of the role.

Cumbria Woodlands is open to different types of flexible working options which may be considered on application. Currently, all our staff work on a remote basis with attendance at the office and other sites when required to do so as part of their duties.

Should you be interested in this role, please submit a full cv detailing your relevant skills and experience along with either a covering letter, short piece to camera or an illustration.

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PERSON SPECIFICATION

Qualifications	<p><i>Essential –</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Degree or equivalent in Forestry or similar <p><i>Desirable –</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Membership of professional body such as Institute of Chartered Foresters – or working toward membership</i> • <i>Project management qualification</i>
Experience	<p><i>Essential –</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Woodland creation at a range of scales • Experience working with landowners to promote, develop and deliver new woodland and related habitats • Experience of developing funding packages from funding programmes and other resources to enable new woodland planting and management • <p><i>Desirable –</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partnership working. • Dealing with a wide range of landowners. • Project development
Job Related Knowledge	<p><i>Essential -</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understanding of the UK Forest Standard • A good knowledge of forestry, green infrastructure and natural capital • Good communication skills • ICT skills including GIS • Project management • Project finance management • <p><i>Desirable -</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understanding of the suite of 25 Year Environment Plan outcomes that trees, woodlands and forests can bring to society.
Skills and Aptitudes	<p><i>Essential –</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ability to work individually and show initiative • Innovative, enthusiastic, team player • Able to demonstrate a consultative approach to decision making and problem solving

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ability to organise work priorities • Adaptable and able to create effective partnerships to enable delivery • Attention to detail • Excellent interpersonal and communication skills <p>Desirable -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ability to influence people and promote change • Demonstrate skills in effective multi-agency / organisation
Other Requirements	Ability to travel upon company business