

# **Volunteer Role Outline**

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Stockwatcher

#### Location

Chimney Meadows, Oxfordshire, OX18 2EH

#### Purpose of the role

To help monitor the health and welfare of BBOWT's livestock at the above site.

#### Type of work in which you will be involved

Stockwatchers are required to check that the correct number of livestock are present, carry out a visual health check of the animals (training provided), ensure they have adequate water and grazing and check the integrity of fences and gates.

They are also expected to report issues of any other type to BBOWT staff.

### Experience &/or qualifications needed

No experience necessary, but an interest in animal welfare is important. Training will be provided.

This is a solo role, so a willingness to carry out duties unsupervised is essential.

#### Times/days we would like you to be available

Stockwatchers are expected to make a commitment to cover at least two days a month, mainly Saturdays, but some weekday checks are also available.

Preferably checking in the morning to give us time to respond, should there be a problem.

### Benefits to volunteer & possible training opportunities

- The chance to be actively involved at one of BBOWT's reserves.
- Contributing to the welfare of our grazing animals.
- BBOWT arranges annual 'Thank You' events with opportunities to meet other volunteers and staff and hear about the activities and strategies of the Trust.
- We also have an email newsletter for volunteers called Grapevine.

### Person to whom you will be responsible

Oxfordshire Reserve Officer.

## Expenses payable

No

## Interview, References or DBS check required

Informal interview required.

Volunteers start on a trial basis for the first few weeks, whilst we get to know you and you get an idea of what the role entails.