

GATTON PARK

Volunteer role descriptions

Park and Gardens Team

Park worker: Join our Park Warden in managing Gatton's parkland, home to an array of wildlife. This work involves hands on woodland and grassland management, habitat creation and surveying.

Gardener: Join the gardening team and tend to your own section of the grounds. The Edwardian gardens are where the restoration of the Gatton estate began back in 1996, but these areas are still developing and need ongoing maintenance.

Tour guide: Lead tour groups around Gatton Park imparting your knowledge of the estate's rich heritage. If you have a passion for history and a natural flare for talking to groups, Gatton provides a wonderful setting for you to develop your interests.

Lawn mower: The Park and Gardens Manager is looking for volunteers to help with grass cutting at Gatton Park particularly in the areas surrounding the rock garden and the orchard. Throughout the Spring and Summer, the grass grows fast a volunteer who is focused on the lawns would make a real difference to the gardens.

Education Team

Education assistant: Assist with children's activities including Forest School and Trails & Tales. Offer support with visiting school groups studying areas of environmental interest around the park. Engage and involve children and their teachers.

'Blue Peter' volunteer: Arts and crafts; cutting, sticking, colouring and laminating to prepare for children's activities.

Office assistant: Carry out online tasks, offer administrative help or support marketing efforts. You can have an area of responsibility or be more flexible and help with whichever tasks arise on the day.

Office manager: Look after the office when members of staff are outdoors with school groups; answer the phone, handle bookings, check emails and provide information on events.

Weekend volunteering

Events assistant: Join our Events Team and help to run Open Days and special events at Gatton Park. Roles include car parking, welcoming visitors, taking money, serving refreshments and set-up and take-down.

Sheep checker: This involves counting and checking the welfare of our sheep, as well as checking their surroundings and reporting back.