

## Volunteer Role Outline

<b>Role title</b>
Volunteer Stock Watcher
<b>Group name</b>
Dancersend & Ragpits Stock Watcher Team
<b>Location(s)</b>
Aston Clinton Ragpits, Dancersend (near Tring)
<b>Purpose of the role</b>
To monitor the health and welfare of BBOWT's livestock as they graze these nature reserves.
<b>Type of work in which you will be involved</b>
<p>You will help to monitor the Trust's livestock, visiting the site(s)* once a week to check that they are healthy and have water. You'll also need to check that the fences are in good repair. If there are any signs of poor condition, illness, or damage, you will report this to Land Management staff. These checks are in addition to those carried out by staff.</p> <p>*Livestock may be present on one or both sites, depending on the time of year. Grazing mainly occurs in autumn and winter.</p>
<b>Experience &amp;/or qualifications needed</b>
<p>No previous experience is necessary as full training will be provided.</p> <p>You'll need to be comfortable around livestock (sheep, cattle, and semi-wild ponies) and accessing locations with uneven and hilly terrain.</p> <p>This is a solo role, so a willingness to carry out duties unsupervised is essential.</p>
<b>Suitable for Under 18s</b>
No



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

One day a week, as specified in role advert. Time taken will depend on livestock number and location(s). Checks will ideally be carried out in the morning to allow staff time to respond to any issues.

**Benefits to volunteer & possible training opportunities:**

- The chance to be actively involved at two of BBOWT's nature reserves and contribute to the welfare of our grazing animals.
- Access to our free volunteer walks and talks programme.
- Be part of a volunteer community and access our Volunteer Hub.
- Discounts on food and beverages at BBOWT visitor centres, on some BBOWT adult learning workshops, and with partner retailers.

**Person to whom you will be responsible**

Senior Reserves Officer (Buckinghamshire)

**Expenses payable**

No

**Interview, References or DBS check required**

Informal interview.

