

Title	Bothy Volunteer
Location	Inverclyde, Scotland
When and how often	As much or little as you would like – to be agreed. The Bothy is open 10.30 – 6.30pm - 3 days per week
Reporting to	Shona Morris

About Us

Cycling UK inspires and helps people to cycle and keep cycling. We believe that cycling is more than just transport; it makes you feel good, gives you a sense of freedom and creates a better environment for everyone. We also know that cycling can play a major role to address the impact of social, economic and health inequalities across the United Kingdom.

The fantastic support of our volunteers means that people can experience the joy of cycling with Cycling UK groups up and down the country, building their cycling confidence, improving their health and making friends.

Pop-Up Bothy

In spring 2018 we will be introducing The Bothy, Inverclyde's home of walking and cycling. This is a collaborative project, working with over 10 local organisations to promote the benefits of walking and cycling. As part of this exciting project we will be inviting local people to take part in walks and cycle rides. We are now looking committed volunteers to help us man the Bothy, and promote the programme to local people interested in finding out more about cycling and walking.

Purpose of the role

As a Bothy volunteer you will inform people about our programme of group walks and cycle rides, which means local people can explore their local environment and increase their health in a safe, friendly and supportive way. This in turn helps maintain the health and social well being of your local community.

Responsibilities

- Welcome people and help run the pop-up Bothy
- Inform people about programme of activities
- Help arrange and facilitate local rides and walks with partner organisations.
- Take details of people interested in taking part or finding out more.
- Helping to create a friendly and inclusive atmosphere
- Being part of a volunteer team and attending occasional meetings
- Ensuring people's details and kept safe

Skills

Ideally, you will have already, or be willing to work towards, the following:

- Be able to work with a team of volunteers
- Understand the reasons why someone would prefer cycling or walking as part of a group and the importance of social interaction
- Be reliable, well-organised and punctual
- Have a friendly, welcoming and encouraging attitude
- Have an interest in cycling, walking or the outdoors

Desirable Skills

- Knowledge of local cycle and walking routes
- Experience of cycling or walking in a group

Benefits

You have the satisfaction of sharing your knowledge and skills to get more people to walk and ride bikes. In addition, Bothy volunteers can expect to benefit from:

- Increasing your knowledge of local cycle and walking routes
- The opportunity to meet new people and make lasting friendships
- Satisfaction of increasing health and wellbeing of your local community
- Skills development including communication skills
- Bothy volunteers are covered by our employer liability insurance

Training and Support

- Training/induction to the role
- Information and training on local walking and cycling routes
- Regular meetings with the volunteer manager/group leader
- Support from Cycling UK and partner organisations

Safeguarding Children, Young People and Vulnerable Adults

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