



THE SALISBURY CENTRE - VOLUNTEER ROLE TITLE: CLIMATE CHAMPION

ABOUT THE LIVING LIGHTER PROJECT

The Salisbury Centre is delighted to announce that we received a Scottish Government Climate Challenge Fund Grant for a 2 year project, now running at the centre from April 2019 until March 2021.

The Living Lighter project brings awareness to, and creates action on climate change across our varied community (a number of people who have long standing connections with the centre, many spiritual traditions who use the centre as well as practitioners and their clients who use the centre) and also the wider local community and other faith groups. Our aim is to embed sustainable change in the life of the Salisbury Centre, and in the lives of individuals.

The Living Lighter project reaches many people by delivering and / or hosting the following activities:

- Climate & Carbon Conversations
- Climate Literacy Accreditation
- Energy Efficiency Improvements
- Interfaith Climate Summit
- Film Screenings
- Swap Shop
- Mindful consuming
- Workshops on:
 - Growing Food
 - Cooking and Preserving
 - Food Waste Reduction
 - Upcycling

And hopefully have lots of fun along the way!

ROLE DESCRIPTION

We seek volunteers to join our small mutually, supportive and diverse team of committed and motivated 'Climate Champions'.

Specific tasks

- Maintain regular communication with the Living Lighter Staff Team and the Climate Champions Volunteer Team.
- Attend regular Climate Champions Team Meeting
- Attend training (see 'rewards' section below)
- Assist the Living Lighter team to plan, publicise and host activities
- Co-facilitate online workshops with support
- Assist the Living Lighter team to administer project outcome measurement tools (e.g attendance records, feedback, carbon calculations)
- Potentially also leading some activities, and developing an ongoing programme after the lifespan of the project

SKILLS, EXPERIENCE, ATTRIBUTES & COMMITMENT REQUIRED

Essential:

- Experience working as part of a team
- Knowledge of or interest in climate change and carbon reduction
- Experience with event planning and / or delivery
- Willingness to act with respect to the [Centre's Terms & Conditions](#), Salisbury Centre's [vision and mission](#), community members, other centre users and the environment

Advantageous:

- Work or life experience in a diverse community
- Creativity
- Familiarity with or willingness to use Google Suite, Zoom, WhatsApp for activities and communication
- Facilitation, presentation and communication skills
- Experience working or volunteering in a small charity or organisation
- A passion for community-run and/or volunteer-led initiatives

Commitment required

The project runs until March 2021, ideally volunteers will be with us for as long as possible, and even beyond the lifespan of the project. We would like a regular and planned contribution of around 2 hours per week (depending on the project needs and the availability of other team members). There will be some activities running in the evenings and on weekends.

INCLUSIVITY & ACCESSIBILITY

We are striving towards a diverse and inclusive community environment, therefore we gladly welcome volunteers from all races, gender identities, ethnic minorities, ages, classes and sexual orientations. While the Centre is not currently fully physically accessible (see below) we welcome differently abled volunteers.

Physical access

Many of our activities will be online for the foreseeable future but we hope to have more in-person activities in 2021. The project office and the Studio (used for some events) are upstairs,

but most rooms used for events and meetings are on the ground floor. Disabled toilets are being installed Autumn 2020.

If you have particular access needs, please let us know of anything we can do to support you to volunteer in the Salisbury Centre.

WHAT WE OFFER VOLUNTEERS

All volunteers will receive both a general Centre induction and a role-specific induction, and we will do our best to provide any training you need for your role.

- Training:
 - Climate and Carbon Literacy with the opportunity to gain an Accredited Climate Literacy Qualification
 - Monthly trainings Dec-Mar on personal resilience, peer to peer coaching, climate change basics, being responsible custodians of our centre environment, and running events.
- The opportunity to work on an exciting project in a lovely environment and be part of a mutually supportive team.
- Develop or maintain climate literacy and confidence in communicating about climate change and carbon.
- Develop or maintain event planning and management skills relevant to the voluntary / charity sector.
- Develop or maintain project development skills relevant to the voluntary/charity sector
- Contribute to a project which has wider aims to make a difference to the environment and strengthen creative and community responses to climate chaos
- We can provide a reference for volunteers who have made a meaningful contribution. We can do this for a period of two years following your engagement on the project.
- You will be part of a wider team of volunteers from different backgrounds, with regular (optional) socials and gatherings in the lovely premises of the Salisbury Centre.

WHAT'S NEXT?

If you're interested in this role, please fill out the 'Registration of Interest Form'. If you don't already have this form, for any enquiries about this role or your application, or to find out about other volunteering opportunities, please contact the the Living Lighter Volunteer & Outreach Worker at mika@salisburycentre.org.