



Market Gardener Volunteer

Location	Reports to	Hours	Salary
Bore Place, Chiddingstone	Market Gardener	12 hours (2 days - 6 hours per day)	Volunteer position

Background information

Our organic market garden grows produce for our Conference Centre, and is an educational resource for our 5,000 school children who visit Bore Place each year. It is also home to Grow to Grow our programme supporting young people from age 14 – 25 by offering both therapeutic services alongside practical work based opportunities in the garden.

Position summary

To work with the Market Gardener and the wider team planting, growing and harvesting fruit and vegetables in the garden.

Key Tasks

Assist with the growing of crops from seed.
 Preparation of the ground for growing.
 Planting out crops and keeping areas weed free.
 Harvest produce to meet customer orders, including our chef at Bore Place, and local pubs and restaurants.
 Other general gardening tasks as required.
 May involve looking after garden tools and machinery
 Work to our health and safety standards.

Person specification

Knowledge of market gardening and growing (organic knowledge – desirable)
 Experience in using and maintaining garden equipment.
 Experience of growing, planting and harvesting crops.
 Interested in therapeutic horticulture/care farming.
 Enjoy working as part of a team, as well as on own initiative.
 Able to use your own initiative.
 Physically fit.
 Willing to work outdoors in all weathers and conditions.

Job Description Confidential

Be available to volunteer regularly.
Full driving licence is desirable.
DBS check will be required.

Benefits to volunteering

Being part of a friendly and dedicated team.
Making new friends from all walks of life.
Learning new skills, and sharing your own skills.
Keeping active in the outdoors.