

Countryside Maintenance Officer

PAY SCALE	Grade 6 – SCP 8-11
CONTRACT TYPE	Permanent
LOCATION	<i>Old Nills Quarry, Pontesbury Hill, Pontesbury, SY5 0YH</i>
CLOSING DATE	30/10/26

Our vision is - Shropshire living the best life.

Shropshire Council is a unitary authority which serves the rural county of Shropshire. One of the most important things about working here is the knowledge that you're working to help others and the real sense of achievement and purpose that brings.

The people of Shropshire are rightly proud of their county's assets, its natural beauty, its history, its diverse economy, its vibrant culture.

About the role

An opportunity has arisen to become part of the Countryside Maintenance Team, within the Outdoor Partnerships Team. You will work as part of the Service's Maintenance Team to deliver activities mainly focused on grounds maintenance, but also maintaining Public Rights of Way and other related tasks across Shropshire. You may also work with the team to deliver habitat management and access improvements to our council owned countryside sites. This is part of the service's contracting role to create income into the service where we deliver groundworks, path improvements, fencing and many other tasks to other departments or organisations.

The post is focused on seasonal grounds maintenance tasks such as grass cutting, line marking, hedge maintenance and general site management. Annualised hours are used to focus this work within the growing season with reduced hours in the closed season.

About you

If you have good practical countryside skills, focused on grounds maintenance and grass cutting machinery; and have the passion to help manage Shropshire Council's varied network of rights of way and greenspace, we want to hear from you.

Benefits

We value our employees and offer staff rewards and plenty of opportunities for personal development, apprenticeships and career progression including:

- Generous annual leave commencing at 28 days increasing with service to 33 days (pro rata for part time). With additional annual leave purchase policy.
- Access to a benefits platform with a wide range of retail discounts and salary sacrifice schemes (cars, bikes, AVCs)
- Employer contribution Pension Scheme [Shropshire County Pension Fund](#)
- Supportive carers and parental policies (maternity, paternity, adoption leave, special leave)
- Many opportunities for flexible and agile working, we offer a hybrid model of working to promote flexible working around personal and family commitments.
- Access to counselling and occupational health services
- Staff networks

How to apply

We would love to get to know you more so please give us a call if you would like to discuss this role or our team. You can contact us on 01743 791984 or richard.knight@shropshire.gov.uk or pete.banford@shropshire.gov.uk

When you are ready to apply, you will need to complete the online application form detailing what you can bring to the role which is outlined within the job description and how you meet the job requirements within the person specification. We look forward to hearing from you!