



Bringing the Park to Life - From Vision to Delivery

Wandle Valley Regional Park Trust - Project Manager vacancy

Salary: £25,000 – £28,000. Freelance consultants, payee, secondment opportunities welcome to apply.

Contract: Full time, 12-month fixed contract.

Immediate start preferred.

Closing date: 5pm, Monday 13th November 2017.

Interview date: Monday 20th November 2017.

Location: Morden Hall Park and the Wandle Valley Regional Park,
South London.

Summary

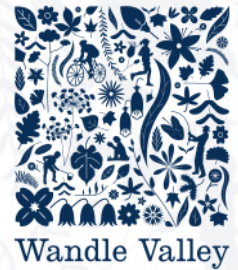
The Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF), through its Resilient Heritage programme, has awarded the Wandle Valley Regional Park Trust almost £95,000 to support the Trust's development and delivery of the Wandle Valley Regional Park. This National Lottery support, along with cash partnership funding of £71,000 from partners and stakeholders, will support the Trust's growth into a robust, sustainable organisation, capable of attracting investment to enhance public green infrastructure in the Wandle Valley for the benefit of all who live, work and visit here.

HLF and partner funding will support the Trust to:

- Develop a comprehensive five-year sustainable business model
 - Form new models of governance and management
 - Recruit and train new trustees and board members
 - Safeguard the Wandle Valley's heritage
 - Generate income for the Trust, through an asset transfer
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- Disseminate learning to a local and pan-London audience
- Deliver a “Wandle Ranger” volunteer programme
- Appoint a full-time officer to support its work
- Produce a delivery plan for the Regional Park through a comprehensive consultation process with partners, stakeholders, and local communities.

The project will be supported and delivered in partnership with the London Boroughs of Wandsworth, Merton, Sutton and Croydon, National Trust, Wandle Housing, Clarion Housing, Living Wandle Partnership, Environment Agency, the Greater London Authority, Lee Valley Regional Park, IDVerde and Wandle Valley volunteers.

The Trust need a *full time Project Manager*, to support the delivery of this exciting one of a kind project, work alongside the CEO in its development and coordinate our new Wandle Rangers pilot project.

About us

Wandle Valley Regional Park

The Wandle Valley Regional Park is a network of over 40 green spaces, and 12 nature reserves, linked by the riverside Wandle Trail, covering some 900 hectares. It is a strategically important asset for London, which can provide significant environmental benefits, support sustainable economic growth, and build enduring social capital and resilience for its growing communities. The Wandle Valley area encompasses four London Boroughs: Wandsworth, Merton, Sutton and Croydon.

Wandle Valley Regional Park Trust

Set up in 2013, the Wandle Valley Regional Park Trust's (WVRPT) vision is for the Wandle Valley to be a coherent and vital part of London's green space network, creating a place, rich in heritage, where people are proud to live, work and play, that contributes to the economic vibrancy of South London.



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Since then, the Trust has secured over £1.6m of investment, and has delivered a number of projects throughout the Wandle Valley, encompassing improvements to parks and nature areas, physical activity and health, and community volunteering.

The Trust is an independent Limited Company and a charity.

It is managed by a board of Trustees made up by the London Boroughs (Wandsworth, Merton, Sutton), statutory agencies (Natural England and Environment Agency), landowners (National Trust and Mitcham Common Conservators and local community organisations (Wandle Valley Forum and Wandle Trust).

The Trust's new strategy will see it recast it as a dynamic, enterprising organisation, which coordinates the resources, organisations and people to realise the collective vision for the Wandle Valley.

<http://wandlevalleypark.co.uk/strategy>.

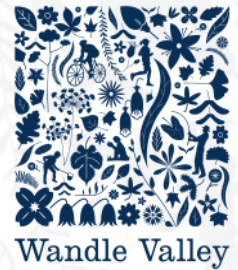
About the role

The role of Wandle Valley Project manager has been created through funding from the HLF and partners to oversee the smooth running of the project over 12 months and to work with and support the part time CEO.

- You will work with the CEO, Board of Trustees, Wandle Stakeholders and external consultants to ensure the smooth running and efficiency of the HLF resilience project undertaken by the Trust for 12 months.
- You will undertake engagement and consultation with our stakeholders, partners, and the wider Wandle Valley community, alongside and in support of the external consultants, through our Pan London shared learning events and seminars.
- You will also have responsibility for the setting up of our 12-month pilot volunteer Wandle Rangers programme. Consisting of 12 volunteers one day a week for a 12-month period.



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About you

- You will be a dynamic self-starter, with confidence, motivation and a passion for green infrastructure and projects that deliver change and environmental regeneration.
- You will have a good understanding of the nature of parks and greenspace funding, management and policy.
- You will have experience of managing and working with volunteers.
- You will have superb project management skills, experience of financial reporting, budgeting and claims to grant funders.
- You will have demonstrable ability and understanding of project appraisal and evaluation skills.
- You will have excellent IT, social media and communication skills (both written and verbal).
- You will be comfortable in working across multiple locations by public transport, bike or car.

How to apply:

This is a fabulous chance to be involved in a truly ground-breaking piece of work and we would ideally want our new Project Manager to start as soon as possible.

If you believe you have the essential requirements for this position and you share our vision and excitement about developing a new Regional Park for London find out more by downloading the Job Description and Person Specification here:

<https://wandlevalleypark.co.uk/jobs-and-careers/>



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Please send your covering letter, CV, and evidence of how you meet the person specification to:

FAO Sue Morgan info@wandlevalleypark.co.uk

Closing date: 13th November 2017

Interview date: Monday 20th November 2017 – interviews will last around an hour

All applications for this position will be subject to enhanced DBS clearance and be subject to references.

For information on our projects, Trust and Regional Park please visit our web pages: www.wandlevalleypark.co.uk and see our [strategy document](#).

Related news articles

[Wandle Valley Regional Park Trust receives cash boost of £166,000, from The National Lottery and supporting partners.](#)

[£166,000 “game changer” funding for Wandle Valley Regional Park Trust](#)

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