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**Land Use Advice Officer**

**Permanent – full time**

**Salary £25,000 - £27,000 p.a.**

**Located in St John’s Town of Dalry, Dumfries and Galloway DG7 3UX (to be confirmed)**

In July 2012 Galloway and Southern Ayrshire UNESCO Biosphere was recognised internationally as a world class environment for people and nature.  It was the first UNESCO Biosphere in Scotland and is part of a family of over 700 Biospheres around the world.

With our strong focus on sustainability; our commitment to facing up to the challenges of the climate emergency and biodiversity crisis; and the opportunity to play a key role in supporting a post Covid “green recovery”, the UNESCO Biosphere designation is very much “of its time”.

We are currently involved in some exciting and innovative project bids to pilot natural capital opportunities, biodiversity offsetting, Black Grouse recovery and the delivery of nature based solutions that can benefit business, the environment and wider society.

The only thing holding us back from doing more is lack of capacity, so we are now looking to recruit a dedicated Land Use Advice Officer.

This will be an exciting time to join our UNESCO Biosphere and to make your mark, as for the first time with secure funding support, we have a permanent team covering skills in land use, biodiversity, business development, communities, learning, marketing and communications who together will be responsible for ensuring that the sustainability ethos of the Biosphere is good for people and the environment.

**Land Use Advice Officer**

The post holder will be responsible for supporting the development of a Land Use Service that engages land managers (particularly forestry and agriculture), environmental NGOs, local and national agencies, and communities in delivering and show casing nature-based solutions that address the twin challenges of climate change and biodiversity loss.

**The closing date for all positions is Midday Friday 5th November 2021**

**Provisional Interview Date is 23rd November.**

**For more information and to apply** [**https://www.gsabiosphere.org.uk/were-recruiting/**](https://www.gsabiosphere.org.uk/were-recruiting/)