

Charity number: 1177062

Estates and Farm Support Volunteer

Volunteer Recruitment Pack



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About Us



A Bit About Lineham Farm

Set within 120 acres of woodland, fields and open countryside, Lineham Farm is a place where children can breathe, explore and reconnect with nature. Our land, animals and buildings are at the heart of the experiences we offer — and caring for them well is part of our responsibility as custodians of this special place.

We are looking for a hands-on volunteer to work alongside our Estate Manager, helping with the practical day-to-day tasks that keep the farm running smoothly. No two days are the same — you might be feeding animals one moment and helping tidy a woodland path the next.



Our values

- Passionate
- Purposeful
- Transparent
- Connected
- Engaged
- Compassionate

Role Information



Purpose of the Role

To provide practical, reliable support across the estate — from animal care and gardening to general jobs — helping create a safe, welcoming, and well-looked-after environment for children, visitors, and staff.

This role sits within our volunteer framework, with clear induction, support and regular check-ins to ensure you feel confident and valued.

What You'll Be Doing

Caring for Animals

- Assisting with animal care, including feeding, cleaning, bedding, and general welfare and condition checks.
- Maintaining clean, safe, and well-organised animal areas to support high standards of care.
- Supporting land management activities to ensure a high standard of animal welfare.
- Monitoring animal health and behaviour, and reporting any concerns promptly.
- Supporting visits from children and partner organisations by showcasing the animals and sharing key information about them.

Looking After the Land

- Supporting gardening, planting, path clearing and seasonal tasks.
- Helping maintain outdoor spaces across the farm and woodland.
- Pitching in with practical jobs that crop up day to day.

Keeping Things Safe

- Following health and safety guidance and safe working practices.
- Learning about risk awareness and helping spot hazards.
- Supporting routine checks where needed.

Helping the Farm Run Smoothly

- Setting up spaces for visits or activities.
- Working alongside staff and other volunteers as part of a friendly team.
- Bringing a practical “muck-in” approach when things get busy.



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Who This Role Is Perfect For

- Someone who is passionate about providing the highest welfare for animals.
- People who enjoy being outdoors in all seasons.
- Those with a practical streak who like variety and hands-on work.
- Retirees or community members looking to give time in a meaningful way.
- Anyone who enjoys nature, teamwork and making a difference to children's experiences.

No formal experience is required — curiosity, reliability, and a willingness to learn are what matter most.

What You Can Expect

In line with our volunteer handbook, you will receive:

- A warm welcome and structured induction.
- Clear guidance on your role and safe working.
- Ongoing support from the Estate Manager and team.
- Opportunities to learn practical skills.
- A chance to be part of a supportive community contributing to a shared purpose.

Time Commitment

- Ideally 3–4 days per week or regular agreed sessions.
- Flexibility can be discussed to fit around other commitments.
- Once confident weekend support for feeding animals.



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Why Volunteer Here

Enrich Young Lives

You will be helping care for a farm that provides life-enhancing experiences for children who need them most — while spending time outdoors, learning new skills and being part of something positive and grounded in community.



Putting Children First

We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. Volunteers will be asked to follow our safeguarding procedures and complete appropriate checks, including a DBS check where required.



Protecting Nature Together

As a charity we see ourselves as long-term stewards of the land at Lineham Farm. Volunteers play an important role in helping us care for woodland, support biodiversity and maintain green spaces so they remain healthy and welcoming for future generations. Through everyday tasks — from maintaining paths to caring for habitats — you will be contributing to the protection and sustainability of this special environment.



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We'd love to hear from you!

Together, we can ensure every child in Leeds reaches their full potential.

Ready to make a difference?

Click here to apply today:

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