



Walking Communities Development Officer

Job Description

Responsible to: Walking Communities and Environments Manager

Office base: The post involves blended working between home, meetings in the Communities supported (Aberdeen/Aberdeenshire) and our office in Stirling.

The Walking Communities Development Officer will assist the Walking Communities Manager to support Walking Scotland to achieve its long-term ambition to develop and promote safe and attractive walking environments; activities that support people to walk more; and improve walking systems.

The Walking Communities Development Officer will be the direct contact within the communities. Current planned communities are in Northeast (this post) with another covering communities within Central Scotland and there will an expectation of regular travel to the relevant area for the post. Alongside the Walking Communities and Environments Manager, you will be key in building and maintaining momentum and relationships within communities and will have responsibility for firstly developing Walking Action Plans and then delivering on them.

MAIN ACTIVITIES

1. Contribute to the planning and day-to-day delivery of the Walking Communities programme in specific demonstration project locations.
2. Support the Walking Communities and Environments Manager to build positive working relationships with stakeholders within the project locations to support behaviour change and improve walkability and wheelability.
3. Collaborate with colleagues and the Walking Communities and Environments Manager to identify strategic linkages and opportunities for added value across all delivery programmes.
4. Support the integration, where relevant, of other Walking Scotland delivery programmes into the Walking Communities programme.
5. Highlight and raise delivery issues with line manager in a timely manner.
6. Understand and implement Walking for Scotland's policies and procedures including data protection best practices.
7. Support the Walking Communities and Environments Manager with monitoring and evaluation of work and maintain accurate records in relation to delivery.

8. Support the planning and facilitation of learning events including seminars, workshops and regular networking opportunities.
9. Undertake any other duties appropriate to the post and in accordance with the needs of Walking Scotland.
10. This job description will be reviewed periodically and updated as required in consultation with the postholder.

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