

Path Warden Volunteer

Adopt A Path in the Irvine Valley Path Network.

Volunteer Role Summary

The Irvine Valley Path Network consists of 19 routes on rough or tarmac paths or road, taking in key sights and locations in the Valley. Several of the routes in the Irvine Valley have recently been upgraded with a new path surface and signage. As part of our commitment to improving access we would like to inspect every path regularly, however, the Protecting our Environment Team at East Ayrshire Leisure Trust don't have the resources to do this as often as we would like. If you walk, cycle or ride the same paths regularly – we'd like you to keep an eye on them and let us know how they are looking.

What's involved in being an Path Warden Volunteer?

You will:

- Adopt one (or more) paths in the Irvine Valley Path Networks and survey your chosen paths 3 times a year.
- Carry out minor maintenance if you can, such as cutting back vegetation so signage is visible.
- Collect rubbish from the path.
- Fill out a survey report either on paper or electronically, including marking where maintenance is required on a map.
- Send your survey reports regularly to the Protecting our Environment Team at East Ayrshire Leisure.
- Take part in an annual work party to carry out larger scale maintenance to a chosen path – eg step repair.

What will be expected of you in this role?

This role will be suitable for you, if you;

- Like to walk, cycle or ride using the Irvine Valley Path network, or want to get to know the area better.
- Want to help East Ayrshire Leisure maintain the Path Network to a high standard.
- Can carry out minor maintenance tasks and safely assess what might be required to maintain a path.
- Can commit to surveying your chosen path at *least every season*. The Irvine Valley Path Network Path Routes vary in length from a half hour stroll to 4 or 5 hours walk for a fit person.

Additional Information

- Maintenance issues that are reported to the Protecting our Environment Team will be assessed by a member of staff within 14 days or within 24 hours if the path has become dangerous. Any maintenance reported will be added to the maintenance list, prioritised and then dealt with as soon as possible.
- Full training and induction will be provided and you will be fully supported in your role by a named supervisor.
- Tools, paperwork and other kit will be provided on loan to the volunteer for this role.



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- No references are required for this role although you will be expected to complete a Criminal Convictions Declaration.
- This volunteer role is open to those aged 16 and over
- This role is not legally binding or a contract.

Find out more

Contact EALvolunteering@Eastayrshireleisure.com for more information and an application pack.

Recruitment Process

- Contact EALvolunteering@Eastayrshireleisure.com
- Take part in an informal interview with this role's volunteer supervisor.
- If you and the volunteer supervisor agree that this role is suitable for you, fill out an Application Form and any other associated paperwork.
- EAL will contact your references and carry out any Disclosure checks necessary.

