



## Farm Woodland Advisor

**Vacancy Expiry Date: 6<sup>th</sup> August 2023**

**Salary: £35,000 pa - £38,000 pa**

**Location: Home-Based**

**Hours: 37.5 hours per week (Permanent)**

**Link to Apply:**

<https://soilassociation.octo-firstclass.co.uk/candidates/account/login/159562?aisId=12&rmId=3191>

### About our organisation

The Soil Association, formed in 1946, is the only UK charity which works across the spectrum of human health, the environment and animal welfare. That's because we cannot tackle these issues in isolation.

### About the opportunity

The Soil Association has recently received confirmation of funding from the Forestry Commission to deliver an exciting and innovative project to develop and pilot 'Whole Farm Tree Plans' in England. We now need a Farm Woodland Advisor to help support the delivery of this project and in time to work across our wider 'trees on farms' programmes. You will be working alongside our project manager and our partners over the 18-month period of this project, across most of England with a concentration of pilots in the South-West.

This is a fantastic opportunity to join an organisation and a team that has been at the forefront of raising awareness and supporting farmers to take forward agroforestry and farm woodland projects as part of a wider agroecological transition. So, if you have woodland management experience and



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an interest in how woodlands and trees can support regenerative farming systems, this may be just the role for you.

Interviews will be held remotely and are planned to take place on the 24th August. (subject to change)

### **About you**

**Woodland management** - you will have experience of managing woodlands for multiple benefits, including practical skills of tree inventory, condition assessment, operations and writing management prescriptions. Ideally you will have some woodland/forestry related qualifications to support your practical experience.

**Farming knowledge** - ideally you will have worked with farmers before and have a basic understanding of the main farming systems relevant to the UK. Crucially you will be interested in how woodland and trees can support farming objectives.

**Self-starting** - although working as part of a supportive team, you will need to be self-starting and resilient and able to work under your own initiative, especially when on-farm.

**Well organised and planned** - you will have experience of planning and organising your own work and be able to coordinate between competing priorities on occasions.

**People and team focused** - you will need to work as part of a team and with individual farmers.

Professional membership of the Institute of Chartered Foresters or another relevant professional body is desirable.

### **Our Benefits**

We offer a range of financial and lifestyle benefits to all our employees, including:

- 27 days annual holiday increasing to 30 days with length of service plus bank holidays.
- Pension scheme with ethical investment options and employer contribution increasing with length of service.
- Free membership of the Soil Association and discounts on organic produce.
- Volunteer days to give back to the local community or support green initiatives.
- Family friendly policies and flexible working.
- Cycle to work scheme.
- Sociable and engaging workplace of professionals that share a passion for healthy, sustainable lifestyle and produce.



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