

## Bat Programme Manager

Vincent Wildlife Trust (VWT) is a specialist mammal research and conservation charity, working on threatened mammals in Britain, Ireland and increasingly mainland Europe. Our work to date has focused on mustelids (the weasel family), including pine marten and polecat, and the rarer bats. Historically, the pioneering work of VWT helped in the recovery of the otter to most of Britain's river systems. More recently, VWT has re-established a viable pine marten population in mid-Wales

We have 37 reserves for the greater and lesser horseshoe bats. These buildings now support around 50% of Britain's greater horseshoe bats and a significant proportion of our lesser horseshoe bats and we continue to use them as a resource for showcasing best practice in roost design and enhancement.

Over the last three years, the CEO and Chair of Trustees have developed a Ten-Year Strategy to give VWT a clear base to increase its impact. Published in 2020, the strategy will take the charity through its next developmental phase as it plays an integral role in conserving threatened mammals in Britain, Ireland and wider Europe.

This role offers you an exciting opportunity to lead VWT's specialist bat conservation team and lay the foundations for an innovative programme of future work.

You will need to have a combination of proven management capabilities, a passion for mammal conservation and experience in leading successful conservation projects. You will have a good knowledge of the ecological needs of threatened mammals, experience of finding conservation solutions, sourcing funding to support implementation and working with the public and key stakeholders.

Your primary purpose will be to drive forward our programme of activities, build on existing success and create new projects and areas of work to widen the Trust's impact and profile in order to deliver the Ten-Year strategy.

The Trust offers a quality employment package, the chance for Continued Professional Development, the learning of new skills and experiences, and the opportunity to travel.

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Closing date for applications: 17:00 Friday 15 October 2021