

Now Recruiting: Veg Box & Farm Assistant

Duration: This is a permanent role

Hours: Variable to 30-37.5h per week over 4-5 days (Mon-Fri).

Rate of Pay: £12.21/h, 30% discount on veg boxes and in our shops

Location: Locavore, Barnhill Farm, Houston Road, Inchinnan, Renfrew, PA4 9LU

About Us:

Locavore was established in 2011 with a tiny shop on the Southside of Glasgow and since then has grown and developed. We are a social enterprise which exists to build more sustainable food networks which are better for people and the environment.

Our activities include:

- Running our two Glasgow shops in Govanhill and Partick which serve 16,000 customers a month with local, organic and zero waste foods and goods.
- Delivering local organic veg boxes to around customers from Ayr to Edinburgh with our fleet of electric vans. We currently make around 800 box deliveries per week.
- Growing local organic vegetables at our new Barnhill Farm growing site, where we also pack our veg boxes.
- Producing prepared foods in our kitchen to supply our shops with foods such as dips, bakes and food to be served within our Govanhill cafe.
- Running projects and initiatives that forward our mission of building a sustainable food system.

Find out more:

www.locavore.scot and locavorecic on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

About this role:

You'll help with the smooth running of our organic vegetable farm and veg box delivery service.

Predominantly this will include picking and harvesting produce in the field and then portioning produce and packing it into veg boxes in our veg shed. You may also undertake deliveries of veg boxes to our customers.

Harvests and packing can start from 7am and will include picking a wide range of produce which is growing in our organic field including potatoes, broad beans, chard, lettuce, cucumbers, spring onions, spinach, kale and mixed salad leaves. Nearly all of this is done without any mechanisation with many crops cut with a knife and bunched with elastic bands. This means you will need to work quickly and efficiently. The work is more similar to a production line than gardening activity.

In the veg shed portions are often made up and a shift may include packing hundreds of bags of salad mix before making up veg boxes or getting additional orders together.

The role may also include undertaking occasional veg box delivery routes. This involves packing our van with the veg boxes for your route and delivering veg boxes to our customers.

This is the first time we have recruited for such a role but we expect the split between field and veg shed to be around 50/50 through summer and autumn and then predominantly in the veg shed through winter months and early spring. You may also undertake other activities on the farm from time to time including sowing seed trays and weeding.

About the candidate:

The ideal candidate will have a passion for organic produce and experience of working quickly and efficiently in a manual role. It will include working outdoors in all weathers and often repetitive tasks.

How to apply:

The closing date is 9am on Monday the 18th of August. Please apply via our <u>website</u>, uploading a CV and a covering letter outlining why you want to work with us and what you think you could bring to this role. Interviews will take place on

Thanks for your interest!