



Group Access Officer (England)

1. The role

Purpose of Role	To promote and protect open access to the countryside as a way of enabling all people to come to a greater knowledge, love and appreciation of the countryside.
Duties	<p><u>Essential:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• To keep informed of matters relating to Access land in your local area through information sent from Central Office, from the Area Access Officer and from other sources (eg local access forums and local authorities).• To monitor and report back to the Area Access Officer (and staff at Central Office) about relevant local access issues.• On matters of local concern, to take action to promote the protection of the countryside (eg lobbying local councillors, challenging planning applications). This is done with reference to the Area Access Officer and often with a team of other Group Access Officers.
Skills & Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A love for the British countryside and an interest in working to open access to it for all people.• Good communication skills to be able to work effectively with other RA Groups and external agencies.• An understanding, or interest to learn, about access legislation in England.• Preferably, computer literate, able to word-process and communicate by email.
Support available	Support is available from the Freedom to Roam team in Central Office via the phone and email, and also in occasional visits and training sessions. A detailed handbook is provided.

2. Further information

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