

LAUGHTON GREENWOOD

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Providing Access To Nature Is One Of Our Guiding Principles

WOODLAND & FORESTRY ADVISOR

Laughton Greenwood is a beautiful wood near to Lewes and Hailsham in East Sussex. It is one of the few community-managed woods in the county. Our aims are to improve the wood both for nature and for people. We want to see butterflies, newts, birds and bats thriving. We want to see a good mix of conifers and lovely English Oaks and other deciduous trees. And we want people to know that they can visit the wood and enjoy it.

Please join the management committee so we make all this happen. The committee at present are enthusiastic but not professionals in forestry. We need a committee member with some training or studies in Forestry.

- Reasonably computer literate, nothing complex but emails, Word, etc.
- Efficient, friendly, tactful, able to share your knowledge with non-specialists.
- We have committee meetings once a month. No-one attends all of them but its useful if you can come to some.
- We have a 'Forestry' working group who discuss and progress issues such as Timber, felling, thinning, fencing etc.
- Training in chain-saw, felling, a knowledge of Dangerous trees, Health & Safety very useful but not essential.
- Experience developing or monitoring the Woodland Management Plan, useful but not essential.

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- Experience of thinning timber and selling the produce very useful. Some knowledge of the money value of making planks; or biochip; or selling for firewood. Able to advise us on our best way of raising income from the annual thinning.
- Any knowledge of the Countryside Stewardship funding scheme an added bonus.
- We set up occasional events, eg a day for children in the wood, a bird spotting walk, an acorn collection da. If you'd like to attend those, or help arrange them, that would be great.

We are a friendly bunch and will make you welcome. We won't give you more tasks than you are happy with. The committee are nonspecialists & we work to preserve the wood for local people and future generations.

To learn more about the wood see our website – <u>www.laughtongreenwood.co.uk</u> To see what we chat about follow our facebook – Search Laughton Greenwood (formerly Vert Wood) For an informal chat ring Steve on 09702 696 807 To volunteer for this rewarding post email info@laughtongreenwood.co.uk with a paragraph or so about who you are and why you are interested etc. We look forward to meeting you.

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