

## **FLOOD ENGAGEMENT OFFICER**

<b>Number of jobs</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Region</b>	<b>Rochdale</b>
<b>Post Type</b>	<b>Permanent</b>
<b>Working Pattern</b>	<b>Full Time – 37.5 hours per week.</b>
<b>Role Type</b>	<b>Operational delivery</b>
<b>Salary</b>	<b>£24,500 rising to £27,840.90 per annum</b>
<b>Pension</b>	<b>The Company operates and auto enrolment pension scheme</b>
<b>Annual Leave</b>	<b>30 days per year including statutory and public holidays plus your birthday</b>
<b>Security checks</b>	<b>DBS check required</b>

### **Additional information**

- This position is home based but with extensive travel within the Rochdale area and can involve travel across England & Wales
- A full driving licence and access to a car is essential for the role
- The role requires time flexibility including evening and occasional weekend work
- DBS check and references will be obtained.

### **Job description**

The National Flood Forum is partnering Rochdale Borough Council to deliver one of 25 national projects comprising Defra's Flood and Coastal Resilience and Innovation Programme (FCRIP) which is managed by the Environment Agency and runs until March 2027. The programme aims to test and create new, innovative approaches to flood and coastal resilience that can be adapted and rolled out more widely as good practice and new ways of delivering positive change.

Our project centres on two frequently flood affected and vulnerable neighbourhoods in the Roch Valley in Rochdale district. The communities are complex and include a high incidence of social, economic and environmental disadvantage. It aims to develop a more holistic approach to flood and climate resilience with better management of residual flood risks through new, innovative cross-sectoral approaches that also address climate justice and both flood and fuel poverty. The project will deliver a step change in flood literacy and community participation, increase peoples' capabilities to respond to flooding, improve flood and climate resilience of ageing housing stock, enhance surface water management, neighbourhood water conservation, natural flood risk management and local green infrastructure and develop better financial resilience for homes and businesses.

This is an exciting role for someone who has experience working at community grassroots or who is passionate about people and working with communities. We give flooded people tools to advocate and speak for themselves and we want someone who is passionate about community empowerment. Are you articulate and confident and able to facilitate in partnership discussions? If so, we would love to hear from you.

### **Key skills required are:**

- verbal & written communication at all levels (grassroots & professional bodies)
- personal strengths i.e., warm, approachable, patient & genuinely compassionate
- listening skills
- confidence and enthusiasm
- self-motivation and proactive
- being a team player

### **About The National Flood Forum**

The National Flood Forum is a charitable organisation that puts flooded people at the heart of their policies and the work they strive to achieve. We are the only organisation dedicated to issues around flooding. We give support to people at risk before, during and after flood catastrophes and work to achieve a voice for those at the grassroots of flood risk. Exceptional time is given to engagement to create lasting relationships for those that need to reduce their flood risk. Support to those at flood risk is an everyday work expectation and we also provide bespoke services as tools to extend this support.

- *Engagement* – Flood Action Groups (a bespoke NFF initiative now identified internationally) – Networks – bringing people together, communities & professional bodies.

- *Flood recovery* – Going into the heart of a flooded communities to support & guide people through a plethora of issues that they face.
- *Flood exhibitions* – of resilience and resistance advice and information
- *Insurance* – advice & information
- *A Helpline* – a guiding, supporting, listening service

## TO APPLY

For further details about the role or informal discussion please contact Amanda Davies [amanda.davies@floodforum.org.uk](mailto:amanda.davies@floodforum.org.uk) or 07734 899708

To apply please send

- Your CV (maximum 2 sides)
- Supporting statement (maximum 1 side) demonstrating how you meet the requirements and why working for the National Flood Forum appeals to you.
- Please also complete the Equal Opportunities form via this link <https://forms.gle/cfddnXxAEze7UcH26>

Please tell us how you heard about this position on your application.

Send to Jean Timmins, [jean.timmins@floodforum.org.uk](mailto:jean.timmins@floodforum.org.uk)

or post: National Flood Forum, PO Box 7643, Bewdley, Worcestershire, DY12 9BL

**Closing date for applications is Friday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at 5 p.m.**