



BACKGROUND AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

WCAP is essentially an environmental project focusing on community food growing but incorporating many other associated activities and developments including wildlife and conservation, chicken and beekeeping, eco building and alternative technology. The project aims to promote and support community regeneration, healthy living and eating and raise environmental awareness.

It is situated in Dane Valley, Margate and includes two 1 acre sites. The project has worked with many groups and organisations in the voluntary and statutory sector including schools; youth groups; childrens centres ; Kent refugee support group; disabled and homeless charities to name a few, plus individuals and families from the local community. Some of the current activities include events, workshops, work experience placements, school visits, parent and toddler group, local produce market stall and coming soon ...vegetable box scheme.

volunteering opportunities

These are wide ranging and varied, but it is best to come to the project by appointment or speak to Jules or Lorna for updated opportunities. All volunteers will be expected to undergo a CRB check and complete a simple application with references. Not all volunteering jobs require skills or experience and enthusiasm and commitment can be equally important. Training and expenses will be given where appropriate.

OPPORTUNITIES:

- GARDENING/FOOD GROWING – yr round opportunities for gardeners of all abilities and experience, using organic methods. Inc plant nursery propagation ; indoor food growing; wildlife gardening and pond maintenance, herbs ,fruit and cut flowers and 1 acre market garden .All hands on training provided.
- EXPERIENCED FRUIT GROWER – for pruning, and maintaining newly planted orchard
- SUPERVISING/MENTORING THOSE ON WORK EXPERIENCE- for more confident gardeners. Some skills or experience in teaching or supervision preferred but not essential.

- SELLING ON THE MARKET STALL – Tues afternoons, occasional Saturdays, for those with a flair for selling and passion for fresh local produce. Training can be given
- YOUTH WORK – supporting young people at the project, various times.
- FUNDRAISING – For those with appropriate skills and some experience of bid writing
- SOCIAL ENTERPRISE....THE BOX SCHEME – opportunities in all areas from marketing and business to packing and delivery, food growing on a market garden scale discounted boxes available
- OFFICE WORK – occasional tasks in a number of areas and regular help required, including stock control systems, monitoring and evaluation, general admin . IT experience essential.
- PUBLICITY AND PROMOTIONAL WORK- re the project generally and the work we do to the public,funders and other organisations; promoting seasonal healthy eating.