### Slapton Volunteer Role

**Role Title:** Minibus Driver

**When:** All year round

**Commitment:** Minimum of an hour – could be up to 3 days per week. These may include weekends

**Duration:** On-going

**Requirements:** We are looking for someone who likes driving or has some experience in driving larger vehicles than a standard family car, has D1 entitlement on their driving licence, who knows their way around the roads in the local area, is able to relate to students and visiting tutors in a professional and friendly manner,

Also:
- Willingness to undertake Minibus Driving test
- Willingness to be called for driving drop off as well as all day excursions

**What’s In It For You:** An opportunity to help the Field Studies Council, an environmental education charity, and support the local community.

The chance to visit some breath taking scenery in the area around the centre and accompany very enthusiastic tutors with superb local knowledge.

The chance to develop your skills and acquire a Minibus Driving test, which could be used in other fields.

Another benefit of volunteering is all the tea, cake and lunches you can eat, provided by the fantastic kitchen team!

**Why We Want You:** Our tutors are skilled at what they do, delivering field teaching to 6th form and other school groups.

It is enormously helpful for them to be able to concentrate on that job, and not be distracted or removed from front line teaching to drive customers to local teaching locations.

**Notes:** This is an important role in the work of the Field Centre and we need to be able to provide a timely and reliable service.

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The Field Studies Council

The Field Studies Council is an independent environmental education charity committed to helping people, discover, explore, understand and be inspired by the natural world. Its network of centres provides day and residential courses for all ages from young children to retired adults from schools and communities throughout the UK. It also reaches many others through its publications and community-based programmes.

FSC Slapton Ley

Slapton Ley is situated in the coastal village of Slapton, and close to the largest freshwater lake in the south west of England. Dartmoor, Start Bay, farmed landscape, steep sided valleys and extensive reed beds provide a variety of teaching sites, as does the Slapton Ley National Nature Reserve which the FSC manages on behalf of Whitley Wildlife Conservation Trust.

Slapton Ley Field Centre has developed an excellent reputation for the delivery of high quality Geography and Biology courses at ‘A’ level. We also provide courses for visiting university groups and individuals for professional development and leisure learning. The Field Studies Council strives to invest in training and development which will create the environment for staff to maximise their potential in taking FSC forward. First Aid and Health and Safety are compulsory requirements for the role of FSC Tutors’, therefore new tutors will be offered in-house training, where necessary.

Looking after our customers is of paramount importance and the Office, Kitchen, Household and Education teams all play their part in ensuring we offer outstanding customer service. The management of the Centre is inclusive, with everyone being expected to contribute and having the opportunity to develop their skills and experience.

There are approximately 30 staff at the Centre, with about half living locally. All other staff are residential and live in shared accommodation within the village of Slapton. Slapton provides village amenities including a shop and 2 pubs as well as an active rural community within which the Centre and staff are fully involved.