



Development Officer – Our Island Home

Salary: £22,000 (pro rata)
Hours: 17.5 hours per week
Operational Area: Hebrides
Location: An Roth, Craignure, Isle of Mull and/or home (negotiable)

Island housing is scarce, costly to build and in high demand as second and holiday homes. For young people wanting to set up home, securing affordable housing is difficult, yet it is these people that island communities need to be able to remain and return to help secure island services and schools, to set up new businesses and to help existing island businesses to thrive.

We are looking for a dynamic individual who can help to deliver affordable island housing to help sustain island communities and provide housing options for young people.

As Our Island Home Development Officer, you will lead the development and delivery of housing support to island communities in the Hebrides. Working with island communities you will provide support to develop housing projects which meet local housing needs. You will help island communities to explore affordable housing options and to utilise funding such as the Scottish Government's Island Housing Fund. You will work closely with community land owners and community trusts to make effective use of their resources to deliver affordable housing. In addition you will help raise awareness amongst young people of housing options and amongst housing bodies of the housing needs of young islanders.

The role will require you to work with island communities across the Hebrides. You will have excellent communication skills, an ability to work with groups as well as organisational and planning skills. You will be able to inspire, motivate and support communities to bring about change, and to broker positive and effective relationships between communities, housing associations and local councils.

To apply for this exciting role, please send a CV and covering letter to derek@ruralhousingscotland.org, for more information please contact Derek Logie on 01620248220

We ensure fairness and equal opportunities in all we do. We welcome applications from suitably skilled candidates regardless of ethnicity, gender, disability, sexuality, religion or age.

Closing Date: Midnight 9th April 2017

Interviews will be held on 20th April.